

Parents' Buzz Track

Officers:

President

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Mission Statement:

To enhance the quality of our children's education by working with teachers to provide intellectual, social, spiritual, financial support, and encouragement.

Vice President

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Topics: Fundraising For A New Server

Communications Officer

Mary Ann Koory

(Meeting held under the Church)

Present: about 18 parents, President, Vice President and Communications Officer, class reps Carina Rivera, Tali Ellison, Peggy Guinasso, Nicola Emmerson, Michelle Barroso, Maria Fletcher, Mary Ann Koory; Mrs. Kiss, Ms. Woodall, Ms. Guaraglia, Fr. Farana

Treasurer

Karla Arevalo

CLASS

REPRESENTATIVES:

President Rosaura Velasquez called the meeting to order.

Kindergarten

Michelle Barroso

Sara Guerrero

Rosaura announced that the next meeting in November will feature a speaker on homework strategies from the Jewish Community Center.

1st Grade

Carina Rivera

Tali Ellison

Rosaura then announced that the Technology Committee has identified a priority need for the School, a new server, which will cost approximately \$5,000.00 The PTG typically presents the School with a gift every Spring, worth about \$2,000.00. We didn't purchase anything this past Spring, and the Board proposes that we take the unspent \$2,000 and give it to the School outright towards the purchase of a server, and then hold a one-time fundraiser this year to raise the remaining funds.

2nd Grade

Peggy Leahy Guinasso

Nicola Emmerson

There was some short discussion, including background questions about the PTG's annual gift and tech support for the proposed new server (Mr. Roof will be trained), and then Mary Ann Koory moved that a gift of \$2,000 toward the server be approved and idea of a fundraiser be explored. It was so moved.

3rd Grade

Mary Ann Koory

Michele Bulen

The meeting then split into three smaller groups who brainstormed with enthusiasm and imagination about possible fundraisers. A list of the top choices from each group follows:

4th Grade

Maria DiDonato

Deborah Fitzpatrick

- Ice Skating party for parents and kids
- Fashion Show
- Dog Show
- Ask parents directly for a quick and easy donation toward the server
- Concession at a professional sports event
- Pasta Dinner
- Wine Tasting
- Ice Cream Social
- Car Wash ("Topless", i.e., washing the top of the car is extra)
- Movie Night

5th Grade

Nila Gonzales

Theresa Decoite

6th Grade

Laure Moon

Ann Powell

7th Grade

Veronica Gomez

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8th Grade

April Shaw

Maria Fletcher

- Family Game Night
- "Date Night" for the Parents: drop the kids off at the school for some supervised activity
- Holiday Crafts fair
- Ethnic Food Fair
- Read-a-thon
- Silent Auction

Michelle Barroso reported on the Butter Braid fundraiser in process. It has raised between two and three thousand dollars in the past. Information will go out before Thanksgiving, and the purchased product will be delivered before Christmas.

Raffle

Charlotte Emmerson (for the 2nd time!) won candles and Joe Heinen won note cards.

Rosaura closed the meeting at 8:00 PM.

Thank you to 8th graders Wyatt Rudnicki, Bryan Fletcher, Justine Brignoli, Renee Sweeney and Melissa Morrow for providing childcare.