

Parents' Buzz Track

Officers:

President
Kate Depman

Vice President
Carol Splendore

Treasurer
Karla Arevalo

Secretary
Diana Behel

Secretary
Beth Ryan

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES:

Kindergarten
Julia Thomas
Gabriela Rojas-Martinez

1st Grade
Michelle Barroso
Ellen Abueg

2nd Grade
Cindy Mejia
Ernie Marquez

3rd Grade
Peggy Leahy Guinasso
Jeniffer Dyer

4th Grade
Mary Ann Koory
Michele Bulen
Marie Biscarra Pangan

5th Grade
Maria DiDonato
Deborah Fitzpatrick

6th Grade
Ana Mendoza Rowe
Theresa Decoite

Mission Statement:

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

St. Paul's School
PTG Meeting 11/20/08
Called to order by Kate Depman at 7:10pm

Welcome and Intros

Old Business:

Parent Directory delivered. Diana Behel will update on on-going basis. Room parents to send update information to dianabehel@hotmail.com Question brought up: is it possible to download directory from school database? Kate to follow-up on this matter.

Suggestion: next year include sheet in packet stating "if you do not wish to be in directory send form back".

Class email updates: most classes are using them. All classes are following up with hard copies in Wednesday folders.

Unfilled Secretary position: introduction of Beth Ryan and Diana Behel to group.

Open House-turn out less than in previous years. Thank you to volunteers. Suggestions for future open-houses:

1. have board(s) with information/pictures of St. Paul's activities
2. as new families arrive for evening assign them group for tour,
3. possibly have open house after Noe Valley Harvest Festival date.
4. Include copies of students writing skills and other work for families to see.

Noe Valley Harvest Festival: thank you to all of the volunteers.

Parish Auction: nice time was had by all. Thank you to volunteers and those who purchased auction items. Pictures from event to be posted on web site.

Treasurer's Report:

Current balance in PTG account: \$5944.00

Budget for next year's picnic: Kate proposed budget of \$750.00, Carole seconded the proposal and the group voted in favor of \$750.00

This year PTG spent \$1300.00 on picnic.

Calendar of upcoming events:

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7th Grade

Anne OShea
Ann Powell

8th Grade

Kathleen McKeon
Rachel Abdel

Butter Braid Fundraiser: currently on-going. Forms are due on December 1st. Product delivered on Dec. 17th.

Thanksgiving Food Drive: all donations due by 11/21. Packaging of food will occur after Mass/Pancake breakfast on 11/23.

Crab Feed: date of event is 2/28/09. More information to follow.

Family Bingo: date of event is 1/24/09. Co-chair needed for event. Kathleen volunteered for this position. Other volunteers needed for set-up, clean-up, ice cream scoopers, and number callers.

Candy Sale: held in January. More information to follow.

Glenn Park Festival: will be held last Sunday in April.

Walk-a-thon: date and more information to follow.

New Business:

Green week in February: (possible walk/public transit to school, compost) Anne O'Shea and Kate Depman to provide more information. Group thought it was a good idea.

Parent Group Family Dance: Beth Ryan to speak to Espi to see when her husband's band is available. If band availability and school availability can be reached then group will look into planning this event.

Grant Opportunities: PUC for School Playgrounds? Beth Ryan volunteered to assist Kate Depman in looking for Grants St. Paul's is eligible for.

Meeting in December: group voted not to have a meeting in December. Next meeting will be Thursday, January 15th, 2009.

Group Discussion:

Parents broke out into small groups to role play "Talking to your kids about drugs and alcohol". Carole provided packets for parents to review and take with them. Packets included: role play scenarios, common concerns for parents, and signs and symptoms of drug use.

Meeting concluded at 8:20pm

