



Our Lady of the Cross PTO Minutes January 11th, 2023

Attendance: Leela Cleary, Lauren Yenik, LeeAnne Hutching, Amber LaChette, Jon Bunch, Nichole Shutter, Mike Worhach, Emily Worhach, Jessica Tinoco Ramirez, Irma Shuey, Monica Klynoot, Becky Kleinfelter, Paul Deloye, Tracey Bender

Call to Order and Prayer: Leela Cleary

Treasurer's Report: LeeAnne Hutching

Total Deposits: \$6,350.82

Disbursements: \$3,939.35

PTO Net Cash: \$2,411.47

Old Business:

- Leela discussed the activities and events that were held over the past year.
 - Fall Fest is an event that will happen every other year.
 - The possibility of Muffins for Mom and Donuts for Dad combining into Pastries for Parents.
 - Homecoming feedback was that it was a great time but some of the students felt like the dress code was too strict. They wanted to add their "Own Flare." New trends.

- Santa's Workshop went well. There was talk about looking into a 3rd party to provide the gifts. Feedback from those who worked it said that the children would like to see more personalized gifts. For example, #1 Mom or Best Dad Ever items.
- Pizza Lunch is doing exceptionally well. About 58 students are consistently ordering pizza. Talked about checking in with Wengarts on the price of pint size drinks.
- Donations- The importance of handing in receipts for donated items was discussed because of the benefit of knowing what items cost, for budgeting purposes.

New Business:

- By Laws were passed out
- Spring Fundraiser- Many ideas were discussed about a fundraiser for the spring. Possibilities include: Mini Golf Tournament, Knock Out Tournament, Drive In Style Movie Night, Little Caesars Pizza Kits, Sycamore Orchard Apple Dumplings.

It was mentioned that it would be nice to switch between experiences and selling items. Attendees were in agreement.

- Other Events- Family Fun Night, Tea Party, Dances.
- Open Gym Nights
 - Secondary will be held on April 21st
 - Elementary will be held on April 28th

Open Gym will consist of games, activities and music. Secondary students will be encouraged to help out at the elementary open gym.

- Catholic Schools Week- January 29th-February 4th 2023
 - The PTO decided on a Family Skate Night on Thursday, February 2nd, at Mount Gretna Skating Rink.

- Teacher Appreciation Week- May 8th-May 12th
 - We will do a “Stock The Fridge” and daily drawings for gift cards.
- Grandparents’ Day will be on May 18th
 - There will be Mass that day, followed by a small activity and a snack.
 - LeeAnne Hutching and Jessica Tinoco Ramirez will Co-Chair this event.
- \$3 Dress Down Days will be February 14th and April 28th
- Field Day will be held on May 25th. Field day was fun for EVERYONE last year! We will do the Color Run again and Becky will look into getting tshirts.
- Prom- Since we only have 1 senior and 1 junior this year, prom is not something that we can do. However, it was discussed that in a couple of years, it is definitely something we could look into. For now, it was decided to do something special for our junior and senior.
- The PTO will donate a raffle basket for the Gala.
- It was brought to our attention that OLC is still looking for some lunch time volunteers. The times needed are from 11:30am-12:30pm. Please reach out to the school if you are able to help out. You would need to hand in all of your clearances to the office.

Next Meeting: March 8th at 7pm

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45pm

Amber LaChette

Our Lady of The Cross PTO Secretary