

St. Mary's Visitation Home & School Committee Meeting Dec. 12, 2011

Attendees: Mary Tretow, Beth Parey, Kerry Koepke, David Linden, Katie Schmidt, Ann Scott, Bill Martin, Kathy Kiekhofer, Sue Benson, Sara Albright

I. Opening Prayer – Beth Parey

II. Exemplary Technology Recognition -- Ms. Benson

A. Components of evaluation of evidence- first step is submission which takes place next week; opportunity to provide leadership amongst other schools

1. Validating student's use of technology in the classroom
2. Demonstration of evidence that technology is improving student learning
3. Innovative use of multi-media technology, including regular use/creation of blogs, websites, pod casts, presentations, etc...
4. Media analysis -criteria, methods for analysis, cyber safety
5. Use of technology across the curriculum
6. Teacher proficiency in using technology/media as an instructional tool
7. Collaboration and communication with outside schools/resources
8. Administrative use of technology as a communication tool with parents and other stakeholders-classpage designated to technology, online grade book, virtual backpack
9. Designated resources to sustain a high quality of information/technology/media program-holistic view of technology within school and parish

B. 25 E-readers (Nooks) in our library as a result of a generous donation.

1. Will be available to 6th-8th grades, and then to younger grades as age-appropriate books become available

III. Budget Review/Treasurer's Report -Please see attached operating statement for full budget report

- A. Magazine drive approximately \$8,000 profit thus far
- B. Kid's Art-approximately \$846 profit
- C. Auction- approximately \$1100 thus far in sponsorship

IV. Volunteer Coordinator Report

- A. Include Field Day Chair request in Jan. Newsletter
 - 1. No volunteer for Field Day at this point- open to team approach.
- B. 8th grade dance-Rob and Kathy Lauer
- C. Open house discussion of volunteer requisition
- D. Discussion of lead chair and "to follow" chair
- E. Reservations for Country Springs-Marie Metoxen

V. Committee Reports

- A. Standing/Ongoing Committees
 - 1. Home and School newsletter will be sent out in the end of January
- B. Event/Club Committees
 - 1. Magazine Drive – Beth Parey & Tamara Ahrens
 - 2. Barnes & Noble Book Fair Nov. 16 – Joanna McQuide
 - a. Profit of \$797.37 (up from \$516 last year); profit given to Ms. Benson for SMV library
 - b. Date for next year- possibly the week before or after Thanksgiving
 - 3. Kids' Art Fundraiser – Sandy Bratina & Nancy Kasun
 - 4. Noodles Restaurant fundraiser Jan. 19 – Tamara Ahrens (Brookfield location-25% of total sales to SMV)
 - 5. Chili Chomp Jan. 27 – Sara Albright
 - a. coincides with Bookfair-Kristi Antonneau and Karen Butler
 - b. volunteer coordination
 - c. supplies
 - d. Bingo game
 - e. gift card purchased through Script for prizes; possible donation of prize also
 - f. approximately \$500 budgeted for event
 - g. judges-3-5?
 - h. save the date will be sent out in virtual backpack week of January 3

V. Principal's Report

A. Advancement committee

1. K3 program announcement in this week's virtual backpack
 - a. Will be offered Tues/Thurs and Mon/Wed/Fri 8:30am-11:30am
 - b. Before school care will be offered from 7:45am until 8:30am
 - c. K3 will share space with ASC room
 - d. Enrollment will open to existing SMV families in early January, and to new families at Open house
2. SMV website
3. Open house
4. Family life curriculum (sex education program)- possibility of offering an optional talk to 5th grade boys and girls- boys and girls would be separated

VI. Other

- A. Papa Murphy's Peel-A-Deal coupons – Paula Hodermann
 1. sold 13 cards
 2. Will also be selling coupons during Catholic School Week
- B. Appreciation Events in May – no updates re: O'Donoghue's or free chair massages at this time
- C. Board members to man H&S booth at Open House Jan. 29 10:00-1:00
- D. Auction promotion January 22 and January 29 in church atrium
 1. Raffle tickets and Papa Murphy's coupons will be sold
 2. Hospitality
 3. Poster boards and banner made by students will be presented to promote SMV
 4. Donations
 5. Possibility of anonymous electronic bidding through smart phones
 6. Classroom baskets-enlist room moms
 7. Bar will be run by Tamara Ahrens and Amy Merrick

Meeting adjourned at 8:09pm