

PTO General Meeting Minutes  
September 10, 2009

**Attendance:** Cathy Nickerson, Kriste Mossman, Tracy Murphy, Kassy McPherson, Carol Beatty, Dave Adams, Christine Marsella, Gretchen Capo, Amy Murray, Tracy Nondorf, Kathleen Prechtel, Kelly Stehlik

Topic	Discussion	Presenter
<b>Prayer</b>		Dave Adams
<b>Minutes</b>	The May General Meeting Minutes were approved.	Kelly Stehlik
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We looked at and discussed the Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual July – September 2009</li> <li>• The Equipment, supplies and renovations were reviewed. A countertop/desk top is being installed in Bill Herman's office. We are waiting for a decision to be made about where to put the safe before we purchase it.</li> </ul>	Tracy Nondorf & Amy Murray
<b>President's Report</b> Parent Room and Recycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some supplies have been purchased for the Parent Room: a round table and chairs, a computer, printer/scanner.</li> <li>• The recycling program is not quite underway because there was a hold up with the concrete slab that needs to be poured to place the dumpster on. We will know more about this at the next General Meeting.</li> </ul>	Heather Douglas
By- law Review	We reviewed the bylaws and we recommend no changes be made to them.	Cathy Nickerson

Cultural Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tracy Murphy and Heather Douglas met with Bill Herman to discuss possible cultural program opportunities.</li> <li>• They spoke with Young Audiences and decided to bring a Latino dance group called Mundo Beat to school to perform for the students in October. There will be 2 presentations: 1 for the younger students and 1 for the older students.</li> <li>• We are bringing storyteller Debra Asante in during black history month to tell a story about the Underground Railroad. Again, there will be 2 presentations.</li> <li>• Half of our cultural program budget will be spent on these two presentations.</li> <li>• Jeanie Warrick learned about a program called IEARN that pairs classes at St. Pius with classes in other countries to give them an opportunity to connect and learn from each other. Jeanie participated in a Webinar about cultural learning in the classroom. The IEARN program enables students and teachers to participate in global projects as part of their regular program.</li> </ul>	Tracy Murphy
<b>Committee Chair Reports</b>  Welcome Back Coffee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This was very successful this year and well attended.</li> <li>• More coffee was used than expected. About \$110.00 was spent on donut holes and coffee. We discussed purchasing more fruit and possibly some bagels next year and less donut holes.</li> <li>• There was positive feedback given regarding the volunteer sign up tables that were present at the coffee.</li> </ul>	Carol Beatty and Kassy McPherson
SPX-tras	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chess and strategic games was cancelled do to low enrolment.</li> <li>• They are looking for parent volunteers for cartooning class.</li> <li>• Class suggestions are needed and welcomed.</li> </ul>	Erin Dorsey and Christine Marsella

Playground Enhancements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A geometric climbing toy is being placed where the old tetherball poles used to be.</li> <li>• The monkey rings are being replaced with wavy bars that can be lowered for safety.</li> <li>• A 4-person teeter-totter is being installed.</li> </ul>	Heather Douglas for Steve Ferguson and Melinda Nash
Back-to-School Supplies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 98 kids ordered school supplies, which was a big success.</li> <li>• Money was donated to St. Philips</li> <li>• There were not online orders taken.</li> </ul>	Heather Douglas for Kristen Quarto
Kindergarten Orientation	This was very successful and well attended. The committee is looking for suggestions and feedback.	Noelle King
<b>Principal's Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A dedication service is being planned for the new addition on October 17<sup>th</sup> after 5 pm mass.</li> <li>• Spell-a-thon was a huge success.</li> <li>• The Building project is almost completed.</li> </ul>	Heather Douglas for Bill Herman

\*\* Copy of the Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual July through September 2009 is in the recording secretary's binder

Respectfully Submitted: 9-21-09  
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