

St. Andrew's Parent Teacher Organization

11-11-2009 Meeting

Persons present: Chris Reese, Eric Oakland, Chris Maki, Joan Tjernagel, Tony Janski, Vicki Huffcutt, David Huffcutt, Heather Reese

- 1) Welcome
- 2) The P.T.O. has been asked to prepare and serve the Advent meal on Wednesday, Dec. 16. A free will offering at the meal should cover the cost of the food. Betty Lou McMaster, Tony & Diane Janski, Vicki Huffcutt, and Heather Reese have offered to participate. A note will be put in the newsletter to ask others to help. Tacos will be served. People can drop off food any time during the day or before the service and place it in the refrigerator.
- 3) Fundraising
 - a) Saturday, November 14 - 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Meet at St. Andrews's and carpool to Little Canada. Tony Janski works for a company that needs items packaged, and offers the opportunity to various groups for fundraising.
 - b) Culver's fundraiser – Deanna Lankow (To be discussed at next meeting.)
 - c) Scripts – Cheryl Knickel addressed the group and explained how the program operates. Parents can also enroll and order online. Cheryl has the school code available. 50% of the profit can be designated to go toward your child's tuition.
 - d) Other fundraisers –
 - i) Current Catalog – Fall fundraisers ended 10/31.
 - ii) Tupperware – Bring fundraising catalog to the next meeting
 - iii) Schwann's
- 4) Outreach
 - a) Operation Shoebox - Nov. 16-23 – Pam Bain (We need to decide tonight if we are doing this.)
 - i) Fill shoebox with items for a child (specify girl or boy).
 - ii) Include a check for \$7 for shipping each box.

The group decided to proceed with this project. Heather Reese will provide a flyer to send home with the students before the weekend. The children can bring in items during the week of Nov. 16-20. Pam and/or Heather will bring boxes to drop off location on or before the 23rd.
 - b) Christmas Caroling with students – Joan Tjernagel indicated that the teachers were planning to take students Christmas caroling at two nearby nursing homes during the school day. They still need to contact the homes to obtain approval and set a date. Parents would be asked to help drive, otherwise the school would need to arrange for busing. If possible, parents could serve hot chocolate to the students upon their return to school.
- 5) Send Science Fair Photos to the Bulletin Newspaper. Would someone like to do this?
- 6) Growing St. Andrew's –
 - a) Make contact with other preschools that do not have grade schools. We need to obtain contact names for (1) St. Luke's, (2) Rose of Sharon and (3)The Harbor.
 - b) Send out invitations and "Free" tickets to other preschools for the Spring Festival program at St. Croix.

- 7) The students sing at the 7 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve service. Afterwards, the P.T.O. would like to have a pie social. We will ask parents to bring a pie that evening when they come to the service. Heather has offered to serve (with other volunteers, hopefully) the students, parents and congregation after the service.

- 8) Next Monthly Meeting – **Wed. Dec. 16 – 6 p.m.** (After serving the meal, but before church begins.) Please park on the street when P.T.O. meetings are on Wednesdays, to reserve the parking lot spaces for those with walking difficulties who are attending the church service.