

DPA-St.Catherine Home & School Association

March 3, 2021

Meeting Agenda & Notes

- **Welcome and Prayer**

- Attendees: *Hope, Candy, Bonnie, Kathy, Heather, Chelsea, Katie*

- **Treasury update:(Heather)**

- Checking: \$12,759.51
- Savings: \$41,816.39
- Total: \$54,575.90
- Expenses: \$350 for two rocking chairs for Little WINGS; \$9.53 for football scoreboard; dinner for conferences: pizza lunch
- \$10,000 was transferred from checking to savings

- **Requests**

- Request for March is reading month hallway decor. Beach theme.
APPROVED
- Request for Atrium supplies (Jeannie sending info to Kathy) \$91.66 total
APPROVED
- Request from marketing for baptism gift bags. Each gift bag includes DPA logo item,religious board book, cross teether,coloring book, DPA hat, DPA onesie. Todd suggested split 50/50 cost with SJHS. \$123 from each campus *APPROVED*
- Emailed requests from Mrs Beuschel
 - Jeannie has requested that we make the atrium larger and the only way to do this would be to knock out the wall between the storage room and the current atrium.
 - Now that that basement is able to stay dry we would like to request funds from HSA or Mens Club for pallet racking to keep items on .
 - *Kathy will ask her husband Jon to bring these items up at the next Men's Club meeting. Between the two groups, hopefully we can make a plan for over the summer.*

- **Envelope wall**

- All envelopes have been filled!!!! A local generous family took all remaining envelopes with a donation of \$5,140. How can we Thank them?? *Total from envelope wall fundraiser is \$23,437; \$818.82 spent from that so far.*
 - *Family was Kat & Brian Leiby (owners of Ravenna Bowl/Kat's Alley)*

- *Chelsea will get a poster board to each classroom that they can decorate as giant thank you cards. Heather will take a picture of the school children Friday March 4. Kathy will order and frame an 11x14 photo gift.*
- **Grants for outdoor equipment (Kathy)**
 - *Update: No active grants found fitting the parameters currently. Kathy will keep looking and work on quotes.*
 - *Heather will also work on quote for sand box for upper/lower elem.*
- **Virtual Bingo**
 - *How did it go? Better than not doing it at all, but was a bit chaotic. Praying to be back to “normal” for next year. If not, we can brainstorm ways to make it better.*
- **Preschool/Kindergarten Round Up**
 - *No date or plan, yet.*
 - *Parents would love to see a virtual, shareable video with a tour of the school, including the atrium. This would reach people who wouldn’t necessarily take the step to come to an open house. Maybe this is something Marketing can help the school with?*
 - *A goal of before Spring Break would be ideal*
 - *HSA will provide individually packaged snacks if necessary for an open house.*
- **Cakewalk, Sunday, March 14, following the 9:00 a.m. mass if restrictions are lifted**
 - *No indication that restrictions will be lifted, so no plan for cakewalk again this year.*
- **Current nominations for Secretary**
 - *Chelsea Lockhart volunteered*
- **Current nominations for Treasurer**
 - *Heather Braspenninx volunteered*
- **Walking sledding field trip--Changed to Glow Party**
 - *Upper EI students request to change to a glow in the dark party due to snow melting. HSA has black lights from previous all school dance that could be used. APPROVED use of our lights. Mrs. Foster can let us know*

if anything else is needed. Parents willing to purchase glow sticks from Dollar Tree and help however needed.

- **Parent/Staff Comments/Questions**

- Great feedback on HSA using Remind App for communications, Preschool and little wings signup for app?
- *Idea to offer pizza lunch on the last Wednesday of the month now that hot lunch is offered. APPROVED. Candy offered to pick up pizzas if needed.*
- *We are no longer collecting Family Fare receipts. We would need \$150,000 in receipts to earn \$1000. After several years of collecting, we have approx \$10,000 in receipts. This is not worth the time & effort.*
- *Continuing to collect Ravenna Foods receipts and send in quarterly. Heather will send reminder on Remind app.*
- *Chelsea recommended looking into leasing a van if needed for transportation for students to St. Joe's (or elsewhere). Rentals can be done by the month and include insurance.*

- **2020/2021 Happenings**

- March
 - St. Patrick's Day Cakewalk, March 14 (pending restrictions)
- April
 - Flower basket sale (end of April, in time for Mother's Day delivery)
Ryan working with Greg to set this up
- May
 - Prayerful Walk-a-thon, May 21 *Bonnie & Heather to head up*
- June
 - Field Day, June 2
- October 2021
 - 2021 Auction, October 16

Next meeting Wednesday, April 14, 6:00 p.m.