

St Christopher PTO Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2016

In Attendance:

Jennifer Sowers, Beth Davisson, Colleen Kandel, Amanda Palmer, Lara Moeller, Mrs. Stoffell, Mrs. Greene, Jami McGarry, Kim Mikalauskas, Jenny McElroy, Kim Oakes, Reany Kao, Stefanie Baker, Kay Lowe, Jenny Studer, Michele Martin, Alex Gonter-Dray, Andrea Ritter, Jodi-Magato-Rice, Ellen Fischer

Opening Prayer: Jen Sowers

Welcome: Jen Sowers

Minutes: Reviewed and approved minutes from last meeting. Beth Davisson.

Principals Report: Mrs. Greene (for Mrs. Kincaid)

- Jen read a thank you note from Mrs. Kincaid
- Request meals be provided on conference nights Oct 13th and Jan 12th.
- Can make copies in teachers' lounge
- Jen will give out the Jeans Day passes

Homework Concerns: Many parents have contacted Jen and Colleen about hours of homework every night. Mrs. Greene will bring up the subject with the teachers. She didn't think there should be that much homework on a nightly basis.

Introductions: Went around the room and introduced ourselves. There were a lot of new parents in attendance.

Treasurers Report: Amanda Palmer. There is a surplus of \$8,000. We discussed generating more interest in parents for PTO membership. Possibly put the membership notices in the brown envelopes a few more times.

Magazine Sales: Megan is doing a great job. Jen secured her for next year. The second turn in is coming up. This is the PTO's biggest fundraiser. We also discussed the Schwann's fundraiser. 20% goes back to St Chris through September 24th(?) then 10% after that date.

Social Media Sites: Friends of St Chris and St Chris. Lori Cross monitors.

NEW BUSINESS

- Teachers Wish List - Discussed some of the items on the list. PTO will try to get everything requested.
- Dates confirmed with the school and church:
 - February 11 – Father/Daughter Dance
 - March 14th – Pastries with Parents
 - April 8th – Mother/Son Event
- Discussed using Bloomz for PTO announcements
- Summer Reading Program winners:
 - Megan Jette – Kindle Fire
 - Emma Sowers - \$30 iTunes Card
 - Nathan Zins - \$15 iTunes Card
 - Will include information about the summer reading program in the Kindergarten screening information so those parent are aware of it.
- Next meeting is October 17th