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ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL P.T.O

Meeting Minutes: February 6, 2012

recorded by Mary Crapo-Pereira

Meeting Called to Order by: Rosa Moniz, President

Start Time: 7:04 P.M.

Prayer: Monsignor O'Connor

Attendees: Monsignor O'Connor, Donald Pelletier, Marlene Kalisz, Rosa Moniz, Cheryl Batista, Susan Alexander, Pat Correia, Deb Arruda, Andrea Vieira, Michelle Teixeira, Kerri Borba, Linda Duff, Sherri Engel

Financial Information provided by Joe Pereira was distributed by Mary Pereira at the meeting. Current balance for the PTO as of the meeting date is \$6,296.60

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SNOW-BALL DANCE WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH FROM 6-8 P.M.

Deb Arruda is in charge of this event and can be reached at [DebraA7502@msn.com](mailto:DebraA7502@msn.com)

Deb reported that she has received donations from the Captain's Place, Gary's Best and Hannoush Jewelers for this event. She will be making arrangements for desserts such as cupcakes, cookies, coffee and a cake to be provided. Food provided for the event will include sandwiches, hot dogs, cocoa and snacks. The PTO is asking that parents attending the dance consider donating items that will be requested when the tickets are sent home. Items such as cheese, crackers, water, juice boxes, etc. Deb will also be thanking businesses who have donated items. There will be cards at the dance noting their donations.

Deb reported to the PTO that she felt frustrated with some aspects of planning the PTO. The flyers were sent out via email and then this past Friday, they went out in the Friday folder. She was concerned that some parents may not have access to the internet and flyers in the Friday folders should have gone out earlier to give parents a chance to order flowers and consider photo packages. She was also unsure of what the budget was for the event. This has been resolved and Deb is able to spend what she needs to plan the event. For future events, when flyers are to be sent home in the folders, a specified date will be provided to the office. Another reminder about the dance will go out this week and parents will be informed that they may purchase tickets at the door. As of the PTO meeting date, 33 girls will be attending the event.

Set-up will be on Saturday at 11:00 A.M.-Completion of decorations. VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED ON THIS DATE TO SET-UP AS WELL AS TO WORK THE EVENT. Mothers may want to consider volunteering so they can see their daughters dance with the Dads. Volunteers will also be needed at 5:00 P.M. to begin setting up the food for the event as well as after the dance to assist with the clean up.

2. CANDY BAR BINGO WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH AT 6:30 P.M.

Keri Borba will be providing the bingo cards and bingo calling system. Children who attend must bring one full size candy bar to obtain a bingo card. Popcorn and refreshments will be sold by the PTO. Possibility of pennies used for markers and then donated to

a specified charity.

### 3. PROVIDENCE BRUINS ON MARCH 4TH

\*TICKETS WILL BE \$20.00 per person and includes bus and ticket. DEADLINE FOR THE PURCHASE OF TICKETS WILL BE FEBRUARY 17TH. Flyers have been sent out but a reminder with the final purchase date will be sent again.

### 4 EASTER EGG HUNT WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 25TH FROM 11:30-1:30 P.M.

Sherri Engel will be the chairperson for this event [spiresrt@hotmail.com](mailto:spiresrt@hotmail.com)

Sherri will be looking for volunteers. If you would like to spend some time working this event event, please contact Sherri. Sherri reported that

has the photographer, carnival games and Bunny all set. She will be selling tickets to play the carnival games and all children who play will win a small prize. She has written a letter asking parent who do not attend PTO meetings to volunteer so that every family gets to enjoy some time with their family during the event. She will be asking them to sign-up for 1/2 hour slots.

5. APRIL 12, 2012- ALISON GINGRAS - Rosa has arranged for Alison Gingras to come speak to parents about adoration, faith and family. There will be childcare provided by Mary Crapo-Pereira for the event so that parents will be able to listen to the presentation.

6. Rosa is planning a trip to the Chapel of Divine Mercy in May. This bus trip will be held on a Saturday and is open to families who would like to attend. More information will be presented at future meetings.

7. TALENT SHOW- Marlene Kalisz will be organizing the talent show for either late April or early May. She will be looking for talented performers as well as volunteers to help with auditions, food coordination, stage crew, tickets, audience/performer assistance, etc. She will be looking at her schedule and reporting back which dates will work. More information will be presented at future meetings.

### OLD BUSINESS

Rosa reported on the Movie Night being a success with many families in attendance. Movie Night raised \$221.50 through the sale of candy, water, juice and popcorn. Attendance for the Movie was free.

### OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Pelletier requested that the PTO pay \$1,000.00 toward the expenses incurred during Catholic Schools week for busing, shows and events. Motion made by Mary Crapo-Pereira and Seconded by Susan Alexander to give the \$1000.00 to the school. No objections were made by any attendees.

Rosa Moniz reported that the PTO will sponsor Pat Correia, Michael Manzi and Ray Concannon for the Burpee Challenge. This Challenge is raising money to purchase new equipment for the school. Each person sponsored will be for \$100.00.

Mr Pelletier also mentioned to the PTO that if anyone uses the kitchen for any events that they check the pilot lights on the stove. Apparently it is very easy to blow out the pilot light (gust of wind) and this causes a gas smell. If anyone uses the facilities, please check the pilots before you leave.

Pat Correia also announced that the St. Francis Youth Group will be selling malassadas on February 19th at the school. The Youth Group will be taking pre-orders and malassadas can be picked up at the school

after 8:00 A.M. Mr. Pelletier will mention this sale in his weekly letter and a message will also be put in the church bulletin.

Meeting end time: 8:02 P.M.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, March 5, 2012

Place: St. Francis Church Hospitality Room

Time: 7:00 P.M.

\* Please consider attending Evening Prayer at 6:30 P.M. before the meeting. If you can not make Evening Prayer, all are welcome to attend the PTO meeting at 7:00 P.M.

We would like to thank all that attended and hope to see more new faces. If you can not attend the P.T.O. meetings but would like to volunteer for an event, subcommittee or share an idea, please contact Rosa Moniz at [rosa65moniz@gmail.com](mailto:rosa65moniz@gmail.com)