

Home and School Meeting Minutes

September 6, 2011

Dr. Williby's Update:

Dr. Williby thanked the volunteers for the Martyr Marathon and shared that the kids and teachers seemed to enjoy themselves.

SSM has gained back any lost enrollment since the beginning of the school year

Dr. Williby discussed the RE teachers using smartboards and classroom computers. She said that precautions were being taken to ensure the security of the 5-day school's data, etc. Someone brought up that RE be responsible for part of the costs for the maintenance of the smartboards.

Dr. Williby also informed H & S members that Susan Smith would like a smartboard. Mr. Lebeda would also be able to use this smartboard and it may also be used for various events in the gym (i.e. Back to School Night).

Chairpersons Introductions/Explanation of Committees:

Book Fair- a suggestion of holding a book drive for Mrs. Knobbe's birthday

Campbell Soup Labels- nothing has been purchased with the points yet, it was mentioned that the school might be interested in using the points for the purchase of 2 Wiis

Masterpiece Art- Dr. Williby questioned why there was no art teacher at SSM. She thought this should be a goal for the school. Nicole Neesen said that this would have the parents' support, citing BOE surveys.

Cook's Night Out- made \$600 last spring, will take place the 2nd week of each month

Godfathers September 20th – will donate 20%

Hy-Vee October 13th

Secret Santa Shop- need a coordinator/chairperson, not happy with the company used last year, would like to use a combination of Cosgrove's and a company, need more volunteers to run the shop, someone mentioned offering childcare (via the Little Saints center) to encourage more volunteers

Playground Update: Stacy Watson said the playground has not been properly maintained. Nebraska Health and Human Services cited a few deficiencies needing correction in their annual inspections they conduct for licensing (for KidZone). Two options of wood mulch and rubber mulch were explored. H & S members voted to go ahead with the rubber mulch option which will cost \$15,917. The rubber mulch lasts 10 to 15 years, as opposed to the wood mulch which must be replaced yearly at a cost of \$4000 per year. Also, it was determined that the sand box would be removed. Budget co-chairs indicated that there is enough money in the H & S budget to pay for the rubber mulch and installation.

Godfathers – Funds for Fedoras:

Janet Driml and Jessica Chalk have agreed to chair this committee. Godfathers will give 25 cents per fedora cut out from medium and large pizza boxes. The store will provide the school with a collection box.

US Cellular: starts Friday, brainstorming meeting held Tuesday evening, 1st place receives \$150,000 and 2nd -17th place receive \$50,000

Contest is different this year as each voter will receive one card and can vote daily for one month, scratch off: 1 in 10 cards will have a double vote

Money won will go to art enhancement, flyers will be in Martyr Messenger tomorrow

Committee Updates:

Mentoring program: 6 parents showed up at Question and Answer meeting

Martyr Marathon: have raised \$36,600 so far, donations and corporate sponsor money still coming

Yearbook: sold 255 of yearbooks for next year, last day to order last year's yearbook is September 7th

Cook's Night Out: Hy-Vee will need to use a coupon to get the money for SSM, have a box for Hy-Vee receipts, need volunteers to bus tables (service hours for middle school students), have a volunteer present to hand out coupons to other store customers

Classroom Coordinators: all positions have been filled and information has been sent to all volunteers

Hospitality: snack cart at end of September for 6th-8th grade teachers, beginning the discussion on restaurants for parent/teacher conferences

Next Home and School meeting: Thursday October 6th 7:00 – GPC

Martyr Messenger deadline for next publication: Tuesday September 20th before noon