

SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS SCHOOL
MOTHERS' CLUB MINUTES
January 13, 2008

- I. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:11 PM.** Pres. Shaune Jones welcomed everyone to the meeting and led us in our opening prayer. Pres. Jones asked for a motion to approve the November Meeting Minutes. Maureen Troy made the motion; seconded by Amy Grubisic, vote taken. Motion carried. Pres. Jones asked for a motion to approve the November Treasurer's Report. Eileen Gomulka made the motion; seconded by Melissa Ulatowski, vote taken. Motion carried. Pres. Jones thanked Third Grade for hosting this meeting.
- II. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:** The month of December was short but filled with a variety of activities; Kindergarten Christmas Pageant, Breakfast with Santa, Santa Secret Shop, Band Concert, and Gingerbread House decorating. 1st grade prayer service and the field trips will be rescheduled due to the school being closed on 12/19. On 12/1 all schools in the Archdiocese participated in a prayer service to commemorate 50th Anniversary of the Our Lady of Angels school fire. Each Monday of Advent we started the day with a short prayer and each day an Advent prayer. 12/6-12/7 2nd graders received the sacrament of Reconciliation. All of the 3rd-8th had the opportunity to receive reconciliation to prepare for Christmas. 12/2-12/3 hearing and vision testing. Graduation photos were taken on 12/4. Progress reports went out on 12/4. 1/3 Leah, from the Archdiocese of Chicago, Office of Inclusion, visited our teachers after school to offer them assistance in differentiating and special needs in the classroom. I have her scheduled to do an in service during the month of February. Also, we had a representative from HR from the Archdiocese to go over benefits, time off and answer any of the teachers questions. 12/5 I attended a day reflection for Advent with the parish staff. 12/8 attended mass as a school to celebrate the Immaculate Conception. During the month we met with the pastors and administrators of St. Pats and St. Al's to discuss a combined 3 year-old pre-school program. We received a check from the State of Illinois for Safety Block grant program, which helps us to pay for needed safety improvements. Looking to see what we are going to do with the Illinois Textbook Loan Program money it is focused on 7th and 8th grade for this year. We need to decide by March 15th. I'm continually working on teacher evaluations and I go into the classrooms to observe. Teachers provide me with their monthly curriculum. Registration materials went home last week. Fall Fundraiser out of uniform was on 1/9 and the quarter ended the same day. Last Saturday, 8th graders took their high school placement tests. Open house for new families is on 1/14. The Science Fair is on 1/14-1/15. The Lady Comet Classic begins this weekend. This Monday, there is no school in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King. Next week we will have vision and hearing re-screening. Also, I will meet with the finance committee to discuss an endowment fund. 1/22 report cards will go home. 1/23 is the parish appreciation party. 1/24-1/30 is Catholic Schools Week, we'll be kicking off the week at the 5:30 mass on 1/24. The theme is "Catholic Schools Celebrate Service". 1/30 is the Father/Daughter Dance. During the week community people (fireman, police officer, mayor) will come into the school to discuss with the students about service in the community. Wednesday parents are invited to visit us 9-10. Spelling bees, all school bingo, teacher/student appreciation day, out of uniform day, and among other activities will take place during Catholic Schools Week.
- III. OLD BUSINESS:** Fall Fundraiser profits totaled \$31,771.15 (50% to the parish \$15,885.58). At November's meeting we voted on allocations that need a second vote; LCD projectors (\$2,800), science equipment (microscopes) (\$675), and a roller skate party (\$400) as a thank you to all families. Pres. Jones asked for a motion to approve the first allocations, Jodi Hardiek made the motion, seconded by Eileen Gomulka, vote taken. Now we have a remaining \$12,010.58 to first vote on second allocations; Envision math series (3rd,4th,5th,6th) (\$8,000), TeacherEase Renewal (\$3,000) graduate classes for the teachers (\$5,000), fire alarm system (\$1,000), money to start endowment fund (give a % each year), lockers, phone system, flat screen TV's (low priority), and lower level laptops (\$15,000), low priority. Pres. Jones asked for a motion to vote appropriations for Envision Math, Fire Alarm, TeacherEase Jodi Hardiek made the motion; seconded by Betty Van Henkelum, vote taken. Second vote will take place in February. Staff and Christmas collection was delivered on Thursday, 12/18 on average part time staff received \$125 and full time got \$300. Maybe next year we should state on the letter how many people are part of the collection, so that people understand how many it's divided amongst. Thank you to Jackie Lazowski for helping out with the Christmas collection. Beat the Lotto is on 1/23, get your tickets in. We had our Christmas party on 12/5, thank you Aggie for making the arrangements and to Janis for making the lovely pins. Gingerbread house activity was on 12/12, it was a great turn out. Santa's Secret Shop on 12/11, thank you to Kim Gardner for providing this opportunity for our kids.

- IV. NEW BUSINESS:** We will have a family roller skating night on 2/15, no school on Monday. It will be at 4-6 pm at USA Skate Center in Romeoville. \$2 a person for pizza and pop. This is open only to SS. Cyril family and students. We will not be having Fall fundraiser in 2009, but we were thinking of having a "Late Nite Catechism" fundraiser after the holidays, or possibly having some other type of fundraiser at the school in the evening (sweetheart dance, etc.). We need to have something tentative before calendar night, so that we can reserve the gym. Anything with alcohol we would need to obtain a permit. Nominations for Mother's Club Board will happen in April. The board has discussed setting a two-term for the board and we would have to stagger the position so that the whole board wouldn't change out at the same time. Pres. Jones asked for a motion to change the by-laws regarding two-year terms per position Betty Van Henkelum made the motion; seconded by Kristyn Benson. It was brought up about the second vote could possibly delay necessary items to the school. Major Fundraiser allocations will be lined itemed for approval and anything under \$3,000 will be voted on once and items over \$3,000 will be voted on twice. Pres. Jones asked for a motion to revise the current by-laws to reflect the above change; Eileen Gomulka made the motion; seconded by Jodi Hardiek. During Catholic Schools Week we will have teacher appreciation day on 1/29, we need volunteers to watch the classrooms while the teachers have lunch together. Mother's Club meeting on February 10th, hosted by 4th grade.
- V. MOTHER'S CLUB COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Box Tops: 6P won the pizza party. We are thinking of having another contest for the second half of the year. Market Day: Deadlines for this Month: paper order 1/16; online 1/21, pick-up Saturday 1/24 @9:30 am.
- VI. OTHER PARISH/ SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS:** Parish Council: nothing to report Manna: nothing to report, School Board: nothing to report Altar & Rosary: Next meeting 1/24, 1st Saturday of the month we say the rosary at church.
- VII. JACKPOT/MEMBERSHIP DOOR PRIZES:** Split the Pot: \$12 Betty Van Henkelum; Door Prize: Shaune Jones
- IX. CLOSING PRAYER:** Teri Schulz presented the final prayer.
- X. ADJOURN:** Pres. Jones asked for a motion to adjourn. Motioned by Betty Van Henkelum, second motion by Jodi Hardiek. Vote taken. Motioned carried. Meeting Adjourned 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Laura Klimczak
Mother's Club Secretary

President- Shaune Jones
1st Vice President- Aggie Maslanka
2nd Vice President- Teri Schulz
Treasurer- Mary Deppert
Secretary- Laura Klimczak