

ST. PETER'S BOOSTER ASSOCIATION MINUTES



OCTOBER 7, 2009

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Mike Ciezki opening in prayer. Present at the meeting were Mike Ciezki, Michelle Ciezki, Debi Maurer, Luanne Himebauch, Randy Schallhorn, Jackie Strelow, Mona Jacobs

Treasurers Report

- Check book balance as of 10-7-09 \$234.95
- Money market balance as 10-7-09 \$19,861.24
- Waiting for matching funds check from Thrivent for Spring Fling
- Motion to accept Treasurer's Report
- Motion granted and accepted by all

Principal's Report

- Hired Spanish teacher Lillian Grundy. She will work 2-3 days per week
- Will send back Rosetta Stone program
- Friday, October 9th is early release
- In-service will take place to discuss online school management program called "Fast Direct." This is an online program that will provide online access for students, parents, and staff to access bulletin board, gradebook, directories for church and school attendance, and events. Cost is \$12 per student per year. Training will be handled by Principal at no extra cost. Tutorials will be available. Will pilot with 5/6th grade students and then release to all 2nd trimester.
- Web based keyboarding – Type Master – will be used for 3rd through 8th grade to help with keyboarding skills. Teachers can run reports on accuracy, trouble areas and skill level.
- Another technology program being implemented is a web-based safe email program for certain grades. Kids can email only within school, including teachers and other students. Programs are built in to catch inappropriate words – those emails will route directly to teacher Inbox.
- Conversation between Principal and Bill Lindbloom on Boosters funding laptops for five 7/8 graders. Cost would be about \$500/\$600. The kids would use them in their own class and not need to use the new lab. Interested in Windows 7 or XP. If Boosters do not fund, Bill will put word out for donations.

- Idea by Principal to have students lease to own the laptops for home use and eventually student can keep laptop when leaving 8th grade. Would develop Acceptable Use Policy.

PC Lab Update

- Cabling is complete for new lab
- Jackie will check in to getting a tech from Runzheimer to come on Monday night (12th) to help set up
- 18 PCs and 14 monitors were donated, including keyboards and mouse.
- Hometown Computers will image a couple of machines and the rest need to be imaged.
- Cost was less than \$100 per set up because they are used machines. Didn't spend as much money as originally thought. Might be able to help fund the laptops mentioned in Principal report. Tabled that for now until after lab is complete and available funds can be determined.
- Looking for best PC desks. Mike found some online but wants to see it in person to make sure it is appropriate.

Miscellaneous

- Walk to School day was 10/7. Approximately 15 kids walked.
- Boosters will reimburse for food purchased for walk.
- Debi Maurer asked for \$270 to cover Easy Tech Technology. Technology fund covered the cost last year. St. Peter's paid already so Boosters would reimburse.
- All approved motion to reimburse St. Peters for the technology cost

Social Update

- Movie/Family night is set for Friday, 10/9 starting at 6:30.
- Drinks and popcorn will be covered by Boosters.
- Families will bring a snack.
- Wear PJs
- Mats will be brought out.
- Movie shown will be Monsters, Inc.
- Tailgate cookout will take place after 10/15 soccer home game at St. Peters.
- Boosters will cover meat, drinks and chips.
- Families can bring something if they like.

New Business

- Thanksgiving Feast is set for 11/19.
- Debi Maurer requested that Boosters cover the cost of the lunch, which is estimated to be a max of \$150.
- St. Thomas will cook and provide food
- Approved motion to have Boosters cover the cost of the TG Feast.
- Kids Can Shop Too – Michelle Cieski and Wendy Cain will meet this week to discuss plan and process for this event
- Teri Nicolai will turn over the Spring Fling information and offered to assist if necessary.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm with closing prayer.

Next meeting scheduled for November 4th at 6:30 in St. Peters conference room