

LCS PARENT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 5, 2008

PRESENT: Monique Nelson, Steve Warner, Becky Burr, Shawn Brenner, Amy Usiak, Jean Williams, Barb Floria, Alice Porter, Michelle Fisher and Tammy Howe.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Monique Nelson, Secretary.

1. Minutes were approved for October.

2. Secretary Report

Secretary, Monique Nelson

- a. Copies of PTC By-Laws and Council Member Duties were distributed (Vice-President, Vice Treasurer and Vice Secretary openings still remain)
- b. Read thank you notes from Judy Person regarding Teacher Treats and Sheila Dykstra regarding Giving Tree.
- c. Volunteer Reporting for record keeping through Foundation – Carol Feuss (unavailable) Becky explained all volunteer hours turned in are entered into the computer for tracking. Any chair of an event should make sure that their volunteers are signed in and hours turned in afterward.

3. Presidents Report

Shawn Brenner

- a. Potential Fundraisers/Projected Profits -  
Discussed: Swimming at Holt Jr High, Mongolian Barbeque Guest Griller and Maggie Moos Guest Scooper (spring). BD's and Maggie Moos need more information for further discussion.
- b. Article from PTO Magazine (9/08) "9 Secrets That Keep Teachers Happy" was handed out.**
- c. Cookbook Sales -\$10 each Advertise for Christmas gifts and at Grandparents Day. Have someone contact Two Men and a Truck to buy bulk amount at a discounted price.
- d. TRIP Gift Cards – Holiday Gift Giving! No Parent Council involvement.
- e. Coffee Barrel Fundraiser Kick Off for the Elementary level – Barb Floria**

3. Treasurer Report - General Accounting Update/Report

New Treasurer, Steve Warner

Fall Festival accounting report also given. It was explained that Fall Festival was not a fundraising event, but instead more about community building.

4. Committee Chair Reports

- Market Day – Amy Usiak and Monique Nelson, co-chairs October profits \$241.57 without deducts for those not paying and not picking up.
- Market Day Pie Sale – Becky Burr (November) Folders were created for each Elementary classroom so teachers could pass onto a parent. Pick-up is November 19.
- Potluck for Teachers – Alice Porter (Oct 16 MS/HS event went well) Upcoming Potluck for the Elementary Teachers on November 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Fall Festival –Next years date, Oct 2, Monique Nelson and Sarah Rhem to Chair.
- Grandparents Day – Olivia Lowe (unavailable) Comments for next's years planning - Some grandparents travel a distance so cookies are not enough. Suggestions included having food already at the table so they are not standing in line and instead of cookies have appetizers. There weren't enough tables/chairs for all visiting. Chapel was too long and didn't allow them to visit all grandchildren's rooms. Suggestion for parent volunteer for next year.

- Giving Tree – Jean Williams (November) Girl Scouts created tags, gave them to teachers to fill out. All but seven teachers responded. A letter to the parents explaining the tree will be included with elementary report cards. Inclusion in e-letter and posting at H.S. door will help to inform MS/HS parents.

#### 5. New Business

- Smart Boards- Barb Floria reported that a few teachers visited schools with Smart Boards and a decision was made that they were not for them. Touch-screen laptops are projector friendly/child friendly and cost effective.
- Future fundraising idea: scrapbooking event.
- Previous attempts at a different time for our meetings (right after school) proved to be less attended than morning ones.
- Since we are a Parent Council not a Parent Teacher Organization, teachers normally do not attend our meetings.
- Starting with the December meeting, we will begin at 8 to accommodate those who need to get to work.

Future meetings (Dec 3, Jan 7, Feb 4, Mar 4, Apr 1, May 6, June 3), will be from 8:00-9:15 a.m., held in the Commons.

Close with Prayer