

**St Pius X Home and School Meeting Minutes  
October 6, 2020**

**APPROVED**

**In Attendance (ZOOM)**

Lindsey Opp, Alyson Beecher, Jenn Dunker, Lori Christ, Mary Jo Kever, Tracy McCormick, Ryan Tyler, Alex Baranosky, Kristi Magneson, Bonnie Valverde, Erica Harlan, Holly Russell, Katie Dumermuth, Greg Howard

**Opening Prayer**

Kadin Opp led the group prayer together.

**Minutes**

Minutes from the May 4th meeting were reviewed. No Corrections needed. Lindsey Opp motioned to approve, Erica Harlan seconded.

**Treasurer Report**

Bonnie Valverde presented the 2020-2021 budget proposal. Due to the current Coronavirus pandemic revenue from the auction and SCRIP is assumed to be greatly reduced compared to previous years. The Free Money programs (Box Tops, etc) were removed from this year's budget. Overall the budgeted revenue was \$39,500.

Discussion on expense line items as follows-

Auction budget- \$7,500 was assuming a completely virtual event. Greg Howard explained that the event has been pushed back until May 1 with the goal of a live outdoor setting. He requested that the budget be increased to \$15,000 (as was in the past) with hopes that they will keep spending as low as possible. This was approved.

Scholarship- \$1,200 line item was discussed whether this money was transferred last spring. Currently the money is given to the Foundation who manages the money for the "Pay it Forward" scholarship which was started by outgoing 8th grade parents to be given to current students based on need and merit.

School Support-\$1,200 was allocated. Ms Kever stated that it was discussed last year that it is expected of Home and School to provide leftover funds from the auction back to the school operating budget, approximately \$20,000. Lengthy discussion about how Home and School is uncomfortable giving a major portion of its budget back to the school operating expenses this year due to so much uncertainty about revenue. Bonnie explained that the budget currently predicts that we will operate at a loss this year. The Funded Projects line item was \$51,287 which included \$31,287 for the new website and phone/intercom system and \$20,000 for OTHER. Holly Russell stated that parents would likely be more comfortable giving the excess money to the school if there was a specific item it would purchase. Ms. Kever stated that the school budget has been able to cover all new COVID related expenses and that a donation from Home and School would most likely go towards increasing teacher salaries. She expects that Home and School should give a portion of its proceeds towards the school budget every year, although it is understood that the amount

would likely change based on each year's circumstances. Jenn Dunker suggested that there should be a separate line item for the excess \$20,000 from last year's auction. Holly Russell motioned to approve, Lindsey Opp seconded. Bonnie will redo the budget and we will review at the next meeting. Tracy McCormick recommended that the current Home and School board should review the Budgeting Guidelines document prior to the next meeting.

**Teacher Report-** None

**Administration Report-** See budget discussion

**School Board-** See budget discussion

### **Committee Reports**

**Auction-** Jaci Braun and Sadie Trytten to cochair again this year. Date is set for May 1 with same event name. The plan is to have it outside with a tent (weather permitting), live music, and same food vendor (different choices). They are working on a sound permit. Greg Howard is working on a renewal of the GiveSmart online platform.

**Food Committee-** Holly Russell reported that since fall conferences are virtual she is going to provide a "Treat Stand" in the Teacher's Lounge instead of prepared meals. These will all be prepackaged snacks. She will continue with teacher Birthday lunches from Panera. We discussed submitting receipts for reimbursement electronically.

**Birthday Board-** No report this month.

**Homeroom Parents-** Alyson Beecher reported that parent volunteers have been assigned to all classrooms. Teacher Favorite surveys are almost all done and have been sent out to Homeroom parents. We are still waiting for class lists and contact information from the office, who cannot release them until Powerschool information is completed by parents.

**Community Building-** No report this month.

**Directories-** Still waiting for final data from Powerschool to start production. Sales have begun through the Home and School donation forms.

**Uniform Exchange-** did not happen this year due to COVID-19.

**School Showcase-** Tracy McCormick reported that the planters by the front office were filled in early August. Some weeding was done around the school and parish center by parent volunteers prior to school starting. They are not sure if the parish is planning to hold a Holy Hands fall cleanup this year.

**Welcome Committee-** Tracy McCormick reported that Pius Pride signs were distributed to all Kindergarteners before the first day of school. Mentor families were assigned to new families also. Tracy and Lori Christ also contacted each new family this summer via email.

No playdates were scheduled this summer due to COVID. Tracy requested that extra yard signs be stored at school and Ms Kever agreed this was possible.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation-** No report this month.

**School Supplies-** No report this month.

**SCRIP-** Kristi Magneson reported that YTD sales are down \$107,940 which is likely due to no in-person sales this spring due to COVID. Online sales over the summer were surprisingly good. They would like to schedule 2 promotions this fall- Back to School (10/17-10/23) and for Christmas (12-5-12-11) with 80% of profits going back to parents. Tracy McCormick motioned to approve, Erica Harlan seconded. Discussion about how to best market SCRIP this year since we can't do parties like last year and Kristi encouraged word of mouth, possible virtual parties?

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

Lindsey Opp and Jenn Dunker suggested that Home and School purchase reusable plastic water bottles for all of the children. Ms Kever reported that we currently have about 375 students, so total would be around \$500. Jenn Dunker motioned to approve this expense, Lindsey Opp seconded.

### **Meeting Adjourned**

The next meeting date is Tuesday November 3.