Holy Family Home and School Association (Unapproved) Meeting Minutes

September 18, 2012

Present: Karla Zierden, Bonnie Massmann, Joan Scherping, Lori Ehlert, Tina Meyer, Nancy Schulzetenberg, and Jill Roerick.

Call to Order: President Joan Scherping began the meeting at 7:05 p.m. and Bonnie led us in prayer.

Approval of Minutes from April 24, 2012, Meeting: Nancy Schulzetenberg made a motion to approve the Minutes as written from the April 24, 2012, meeting. Karla Zierden seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Agenda: Tina Meyer made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of "Carnival". Karla Zierden seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Financial Report Review: Bonnie handed out a spreadsheet outlining the current budget for everyone's review. Discussion was held. It was suggested that the budgeted amout for the general budget be brought back down to \$40,000 for the next school year. Bonnie will discuss this with the Board. It was suggested that all fundraising should be run through Home & School. Bonnie said she would check with the Board regarding this also. It was also suggested that a note should be put in the newsletter reminding families of the impact that Home and School fundraisers have on tuition. Without the fundraisers tuition would be much higher. Tina Meyer made a motion to approve the financial report. Karla Zierden seconded.

SCRIP Update: Tina Meyer reported that the SCRIP program continues to go well. Profits were down a little for the summer months but are looking good for this quarter (September – November). The new Kindergarten and preschool families are doing a great job using SCRIP.

Breakfast/Fish Fry Update: Joan Scherping reported that Darryl and Heidi Eiynck will be co-chairing the breakfasts with Ryan Scherping. Bonnie mentioned that one change this year is that the December breakfast will be a matching grant breakfast sponsored by Catholic Aid Financial and the St. Ann's Society, which is in addition to the October Matching Grant breakfast which is sponsored by Catholic Aid Financial and the St. Joseph's Society. Our profits are matched up to a \$1,000. Our current chairs will work with the Catholic Aid for the December breakfast and the current work groups will be kept in place.

Discussion was held on whether we should consider doing a pasta dinner instead of a fish fry. It would still be scheduled during lent. A pasta dinner might bring in a better profit. Also people in the community may be very interested in going to something a little different. It also would be less labor intensive than having a fish fry. The unused fish in the past could not be returned, but unopened pasta could easily be returned. It was suggested that it may be a good idea to use a steam table. It was mentioned that the school does have one which has been used in past years. It was also mentioned that things could possibly be ordered through Julie or maybe there are things already on hand not being used since the updating of our lunch program. March 8th or March 22nd appear to be the best dates to consider. Tina will check with Avon so we don't compete with their annual fish fry. Bonnie will put a note in the newsletter. Families currently signed up to work the fish fry will be able to resign up for the pasta dinner on the portal. Tina Weyer made a motion to go ahead with plans for a pasta dinner. Karla Zierden seconded. All in favor.

CUF Raffle: Bonnie did receive a letter in spring that Holy Family is again accepted into the CUF Raffle this school year.

Pioneer Days: Lori reported that things went very well at the Pioneer Days stand. A little over \$7,500 was raised. (The budgeted amount was \$5,000). Everything was very well organized. Dennis Young did a wonderful job co-chairing.

Carnival: Karla reported that they are currently soliciting for the raffle. Discussion was held regarding suggestions for the individual raffles. It was decided to go ahead with the same four items done last year. Using the church basement for the Carnival worked very well. Karla will check with Sister Alice to make sure that it is okay to do so again this year.

Field Trip/Target Grant: Bonnie is currently waiting to hear back regarding a Target grant. This would be used for the 5th and 6th grade field trip to the capitol.

Adult Social Event in Budget: Bonnie indicated that she would keep an eye on the budget to see if adding an adult social event is necessary. This will be tabled until the next meeting to further discuss if needed.

Volunteer Sign up on Portal: Discussion was held as to whether parents like the new portal system. Bonnie stated that changes could be made to the portal, or things moved around, if needed. Having parents sign up for fundraising on the portal seemed to go well overall. Bonnie also indicated that if a family prefers calling in to sign up, that can also be done.

Classroom milk break snacks: Joan reported that things have gone well. She has gotten good feedback for new ideas and snacks not to get. Joan stated that the snacks she picks up last 4-5 weeks. A suggestion was made to consider having snacks for grades 4-6 as well. Bonnie will get input from teachers. There was also a suggestion to put a survey on the portal for the 4-6 grade parents regarding this.

School Strategic Plan: Discussion was held regarding the School Strategic Plan for Fall 2012-2013. The principal, teachers, the Board, and Home and School have tasks listed. Bonnie will prepare an annual report. There needs to be a response to each item listed.

Adjourn: Nancy Schulzetenberg made a motion to adjourn and Karla Zierden seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:30.

Next Meeting: November, 2012

- Submitted by Jill Roerick, H & S Secretary