St. Francis Xavier Elementary, Marquette St. Campus

3/17/2023 HSA Parent Meeting Minutes

8:30a.m., Gresl Room, St. Pius X Parish, Appleton, WI

I. Attendees

- **a.** HSA Officers: Erin Doe, Amanda Sobczak, Natalie Sturicz-Heiges
- **b.** Parents

II. Volunteer Opportunities

- **a.** There will be a Sign-up Genius.
  - **i.** The Sign-up Genius will include roles for the remainder of this year as well as next year.
  - **ii.** There will be room for additional officers next year.

III. Memorial Gift

- **a.** A small gift for Ivy Peters's family, e.g., a small plaque on a bench or a stone in the garden.
- **b.** Parents from Ivy's class have talked about playground equipment or planting a tree. Parents from Ivy's class will work with HSA to select a gift that will remain here at the school in Ivy's memory.
- **c.** Will discuss with Tina before making a final decision on this memorial. Becca Egan will assist as a parent.

IV. Updates from Tina

- **a.** Cookies for a Cause
  - **i.** These funds must be spent this year.
  - **ii.** Each campus's HSA is contributing an additional $5,000.00 so that each campus will be able to make a larger purchase this year.
  - **iii.** Principals will be selecting an item for each campus with these funds and will share their decision before end of year.
- **b.** Thank you Christmas Stars for the new display case in front lobby for student artwork and projects.

V. Previous Events/Activities Feedback

- **a.** Parent coffee socials.
  - **i.** Parents have enjoyed coffee socials, if unable to attend frequently.
- **b.** HSA Parent Meetings
  - **i.** Parents like morning, after drop-off timeframe for meetings.
  - **ii.** Once a month is a good frequency.
- **c.** Thankful Thursdays
- **d.** Staff birthdays
- **e.** Texas Roadhouse Dine-out Night and Tom's Dine-out Night

i. Poor turn-out this year for Tom's. Only $210.00 earned compared with closer to $600.00 in past years.
ii. Poor turn-out for Texas Roadhouse as well.
iii. May limit dine-out nights next school-year given lower interest.
iv. Parent input: may want to retire fundraisers after a few years and introduce something new to encourage more enthusiastic participation.

VI. Upcoming Events

a. **3/24 Parent Coffee Social, Copper Rock downtown**
b. **3/31 Blizzard Game**
c. **5/8 – 5/12 Teacher Appreciation Week (info to come)**
d. **4/19 VIP Day**
e. **April – Culver's Coupon Sale**
    i. Will have a "coupon sorting party" in April.
f. **5/10 Volunteer Appreciation Mass**
g. **5/21 – Timber Rattler Family Game – Fang's Reading Club**
h. **5/31 Field Day**
    i. When we reach our Color Run goals, Mr. Yates receives additional funds for Field Day. This year he received additional funds.
i. **Bay Beach**
    i. HSA pays for the buses. Currently coordinating this, but bus prices have increased.
    ii. Parents are fine with paying for buses. Will communicate with Tina on this as well.
    iii. Kindergarten field trip is separate.
j. **4th-Grade Farewell**
    i. Last Friday of school year, combined with McDonald Street campus.
    ii. May need additional volunteers. Info to come.

VII. Next Meeting Friday, April 14, 8:30a.m., Gresl Room, St. Pius X Parish.