

## ST. CHARLES

### HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes- January 25, 2016

**Present:** Mary MacDonald, Jen Reesman, Jean Lois, Mary Giese, Jen Melchi, Mary Chic, Steve Salmis, Tammy Satter, Gina Miller

**Opening Prayer:** Led by Jen

**Minutes:** Read and Accept

**Treasurer's Report:** Jean Lois; Read and Jen moved to approve, Mrs. MacDonald seconded. Approved. Steve Salmis is working with Jean so he can take over the position of Treasurer next year. Current estimated account balance is in the usual range for this time of year, which is \$15,000-20,000. Next big fundraiser will not be until June Jubilee.

**Principal's Report:**

Working on making the salaries for our staff more in line with the target range, which is appx 80% of the public school teacher salaries. We are currently over 30% short of that goal. A tuition increase is expected for the 2016-2017 school year.

Big push for increasing preK enrollment. Includes new activity, Kid First Kid Fest, to invite local children to activity days at the school. Also introducing an incremental preK schedule to allow more flexibility with the attendance times.

The boiler replacement is nearly complete.

Mrs. MacDonald supplied list of activities for upcoming Catholic Schools week, Feb 1 – Feb 5. Limo ride is coming up, number of riders down to appx 39 from 58 last year. Jen will need helper to serve pizza.

**Special Interest Day:** The date is set for February 5<sup>th</sup>. Based on some feedback, we discussed splitting the “big kids” and “little kids” more, and introducing new ideas. More volunteers needed for that day.

**Knowledge Quest:** For 6,7, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades students to participate, 4-8<sup>th</sup> grade will watch. Coming up on Feb 29 and March 2,7 and 9.

**Scrip:** There has been an increase in orders since the implementation of dress down days. Discussed other ideas to continue this upswing, i.e. class incentives, etc. Tammy will work with Colleen to possible take over Scrip if the schedule can be altered a bit next year.

**Spirit Wear:** New items are nearly ready.

**Jubilee:** Committee is in initial planning stage. This year’s function will include a Children’s Carnival, headed up by Mrs. Bartlett and Mrs. Salmins. Funds from this portion of the Jubilee will be earmarked for preschool tuition assistance and other preK needs to help increase enrollment now that public schools are offering preK.

**Next Meeting Dates:** April 11<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm

**Meeting Adjourned**

**Respectfully Submitted by Tammy Satter**