

## **August Holy Trinity PTO Meeting**

**Date:** Wednesday, August 30, 2023

**Time:** 7-8 PM (+30 minutes informal conversations)

**Attendees:** ~10 attendees

**Location:** Karam @ Jefferson

**Moderator:** PTO President: Lindsey Hunt

### **Action Items:**

- Lindsey Hunt:
  - o Talk to Sarah about:
    - Idea: Fun way to reward class with most parents attending PTO meetings
    - How do we make sure that volunteers @ events have completed their required volunteer training?
    - Tracking volunteer hours moving forward since Alma doesn't have the feature
    - Mandate recess duty?
    - Share ideas mentioned for Back-to-School night with Sarah+ - see notes below
    - Possible events this year – Talk to Sarah and related teachers:
      - Class art projects that can be viewed and sold at wine event (*Ms. Romero*)
      - Talent Show:
        - o There hasn't been one at HT for the last 8+ years, minus a virtual one in '20.
      - Art Show:
        - o Incorporate @ Spring Music Concert, a talent show, or Spring Play?
      - Have Coffee & donuts with Principal on a Friday each month?
      - March Movie Night
        - o Need a license? Chelsea spearheading or are we waiting to see how busy spring feels and to see if we need another event or not?
    - Leftover from April Meeting: *Would it be possible to get a quote to put in artificial turf on the track? We know it would be a big number given drainage issues but might be interesting to understand the costs surrounding the possible improvement/reduction of mud.*
  - o General opens:
    - From June meeting: Should we have "Christmas Popcorn" this year or redistribute funds to other events? The popcorn seems to be enjoyed by MS students but the younger grades have so much "party" food the popcorn isn't being consumed and the money could be better used elsewhere.
- Kate Hill:
  - o Organize a Book Swap this year?
- Anyone/Everyone:
  - o Have an idea for a future PTO meeting agenda item? Have any questions after reading these notes? Please contact Lindsey Hunt ([Inhunt2014@gmail.com](mailto:Inhunt2014@gmail.com)).

- Have a “wish list” item that would benefit the school and/or school community? Please contact Lindsey Hunt ([lnhunt2014@gmail.com](mailto:lnhunt2014@gmail.com)).

**Discussion:**

- **Introductions**

- **News:**

- Chelsea is our new Treasurer. She has a 3<sup>rd</sup> grader.
- New role this year: Volunteer Coordinator (Andreis)

- **Volunteering this year:**

- Parents are expected to read the [volunteer handbook](#), sign the agreement, and turn into office. See last page in the volunteer book.
- Monday Minute has additional details
- How hours will be tracked is TBD. There is no way to track within Alma. More to come.

- **PTO Meeting Structure**

- All parents/guardians are part of PTO and are welcome @ meetings
- We try to keep meetings to 1 hour
- Targeting the last Wednesday of every month @ 7 PM for future meetings. There are some months we have to move the PTO meeting due to holidays. The school calendar will be updated.
- Send agenda prior to the meeting
- Cover past events and lessons learned
- Cover events coming up and needs associated

- **Upcoming Events:**

- Back to School Night(s):
  - Discussed items we hope to hear leadership talk about @ B2S night.
    - Creating the community we envision – school volunteering (SharePoint hours, the value of fulfilling your hours) and parish involvement, etc.
    - Activities/clubs kids can join – for example, Cub Scouts
    - Grading structure changes (MS)
- Book Fair is scheduled for November 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>. It will be with [Usborne Books](#) instead of Scholastic. We'll likely do a Scholastic book fair in the Spring. Compare how things go and decide on a direction next year.
- MS Dance: The date will change due to a conflict with Fall Play Production. Stay tuned. The plan is to do the dance with other schools like last year. Holy Trinity to host the 1<sup>st</sup> dance. Parish would like us to avoid having the event during Advent season.

- **Next PTO Meeting**

- Past events (Back to School)
- Upcoming events (Fall Festival+)