

Lourdes Home & School Meeting Minutes – January 2022
 January 12, 2022
 Lourdes Catholic School Library

Attendees:

| 2021/2022 Home & School Board | | Teachers/Staff | |
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| President: Jen Foley | x | Jennifer Alongi | |
| President-Elect: Denise Howell | | Amy Paul | |
| Ex-Officio: Megan Stopulos | | Danielle Behnke | x |
| Secretary: Angie Kaney | x | Sarah Snyder | x |
| Treasurer: Jill Tandy | x | Angie Gustafson | x |
| Treasurer Elect: Katie Carroll | | | |
| Room Parent Co-Chairs: Brooke Heckinger | x | | |
| Room Parent Co-Chairs: Meghan Cornish | | | |
| Volunteer Co-Chairs: Jenny Grobstich | | Community/Committee Chairs | |
| Volunteer Co-Chairs: Amber Edwards | x | Linda Mosher | |
| Hospitality Coordinators: Sarah Keller | | Marie Morlock | |
| Hospitality Coordinators: Alicia Gieck | X | | |
| Hospitality Coordinators: Kate Hanell | | | |
| Hospitality Coordinators: Jaime Youngberg-Dyer | | | |
| Hospitality Coordinators: Alison Meier | | | |
| New Family Ambassadors: Erin Emerle | | | |
| New Family Ambassadors: Andrea Reilly | X | | |
| New Family Ambassadors: Kelly Kruck | | | |
| Publicity: Becca Armstrong | | | |

Meeting called to order 6:02pm.

1. Welcome, Opening Prayer and Introductions

2. Approval of Minutes – November 2021 Minutes found [here](#). Approved on January 12, 2022. Unanimous approval in person.

3. New Business

- a. **St Nick's Shop Update:** Total sales approximately \$4500. Reimbursement requests total \$2300. Estimated \$2500 profit. Many thanks to St. Nick's team for all their hard work and efforts! It was fun for the children too!
- b. **MobileCause** = \$2,992.42 raised (123 transactions) - nearly all paid the processing fee (\$101.42)
 - i. Christmas Teacher Appreciation: \$635 (SANTABABY)
 - ii. Coat-Hat-Mitten Drive: \$157 (MITTENS)
 - iii. Birthday Buddy: \$1821 (CELEBRATE)
 - iv. Back to School at Lourdes: \$379 (LOURDES)
 - v. What other key words would we like to use?

1. Currently reserved: STARRYNIGHT, MIDDLESCHOOL, PENNIES, TRUNK
 2. Future Needs: Diaper fundraising, teacher appreciation in May
- c. **Teacher Appreciation Week** – Scheduled for the first week of May, hospitality team will lead this effort.
- d. **Starry Night Fundraiser, scheduled for March 26, 2022. Update:** Volunteers are needed to start gathering donations. Meeting is scheduled at Linda Mosher's at 6:30pm on January 18, 2022. Volunteers should contact Brooke Heckinger to get involved. Jen Foley will send an email to recruit help too. This year's format will be a combination of an online auction starting Sunday, March 20th and going through Friday, March 25th. Items can be picked up on Saturday morning, February 26th. Tanglewood event will be live auction, including student art projects. Help is needed for art projects! Watch for emails from room parent coordinators to recruit help. Some teachers have also offered to help make/create the artwork, but they will want the idea outlined for them.
- e. **Principal Report (via email):**
- i. Current families are able to sign up (pre-register/hold-the-spot) their children for 3-year old preschool and 4-year old PreK for 2022-2023 via a link emailed to all families on Friday, January 7. Get your spot now; new families will be able to sign up for remaining infilled spots February 8.
 - ii. Current families will be able pre-register/hold-the-spot for grades K-8 hopefully by the end of next week, if not sooner. The board needs to approve final tweaks to the tuition for next year.
 - iii. It appears we may be seeing an increase in Covid among students and staff.
- f. **Budget Update (found [here](#))**
- i. Finance committee budget planning meetings are underway - preliminary 2022/2023 budget for review this month.
 - ii. Almost $\frac{2}{3}$ of the 2021 Starry Night Income has been spent, some remaining expenses include field trips and end of the year picnic.
 - iii. Scrip Update – provided by Katie Carroll. Scrip profit for December was \$1,369. YTD profit is \$3,435. For comparison, December 2020 profit was \$1,368 and YTD was \$3,708. Approximately 70 families participated in 2021 in December. There were 46 families who participated in December 2020. Amount of inventory sold in 2021 31,000; 2020 28000. There are more families who have signed up online/Mobile app. November's rebate is down compared to last year. Perhaps more NUT days incentive around Valentines' Day or going into spring break?
- g. **Teacher Report**
- i. Teachers LOVED and appreciated the Fun Friday Treats!! Grateful for gluten free options!
 - ii. Group gifts / staff gifts discussion. Regarding group gifts vs returning to individual gifts. The disadvantage of the individual birthday buddy or Christmas gift is that it must be claimed as income on the W2. Some staff

members would prefer the birthday card with SCRIP money (and they would also like one at Christmas too). With our fundraising efforts, it would be around \$22 per person, if presented in a generic SCRIP gift card, and this would have to be taxed (W2). Likely, no changes will be made going forward.

- h. **Catholic Schools Week 1/30-2/5** - Teacher Luncheon currently scheduled for Friday. A Mexican meal for the teacher luncheon is in the works.
- i. **Update from Athletic Director:** Dan Colbrese could use parent support at home games. If interested, please reach out to Dan. Lively discussion was had among parents who recommended assigning parents of student athletes for the duration of the season. If the parent/students can't volunteer, they should be responsible for finding a sub. The group unanimously agreed that those with athletes (from all seasons including volleyball players during basketball season, basketball players during volleyball season) should be signed up to help.
- j. **Field Day** - Planned for Thursday, May 26th at Splash Landing, with day broken into two sections: K-3, 4-7. We will not use HyVee catering this year. The menu will be planned by Beth Rogers/school. Parent volunteers are needed. Field day will use 2021 Starry Night funds.
- k. **Bingo** was discussed but likely to not occur this year. It is a favorite event and we hope to bring it back in 2023!

4. Wrap Up & Closing Prayer

Meeting adjourned 7:03pm.

Meeting Schedule

February - Wednesday, February 9th at 6pm

April - Wednesday, April 13th at 6pm

May - Wednesday, May 11th at 6pm

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Respectfully submitted, Angie Kaney, Secretary