

St. Paul Home & School Meeting Minutes
09/11/07
1:45 p.m.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Present at meeting: Michelle Varick and Eileen Croal, Co-Presidents; Jenny Gehl and Maggie Zorn, Co-Vice Presidents; Linda Cooney, School Principal; Lori Durler, SCRIP; Denise Vavra, Mentor Program; Sandy Strelka, Treasurer; Paula Crain, Secretary.
Motion to approve Minutes by Eileen Croal, Lori Durler seconds
2. **President's Report:**
 - a. Playground equipment
 - i. Swingset to be installed the weekend of 9/15/07
 - ii. Maggie Zorn donated a tether pole and ball
 - iii. Jump ropes, balls, etc were distributed to the classrooms
 - iv. Hop scotch, four square, kick ball, and chessboard/checkerboard lines will be added to the playground
 - b. Front doorway is almost complete, door bell needs to be reinstalled
 - c. By-Laws: Home and School Dues were increased to \$20.00, Denise Vavra will make the change to the by-laws
 - d. Goals for 2007-2008 school-year
 - i. Increase SCRIP funds
 1. Discussion to lower TIP, set fundraising goal and use a thermometer to show progress; sell popular SCRIP cards at school events
 - ii. Implement the Mentor Family program – Denise Vavra
 1. Denise and Linda Cooney will meet to discuss details
 2. Veteran families needed to be Mentor families
 - e. Discussion about the success of the Father/Daughter dance and that a Mother/Son event should be added
 - f. Discussion about the need for a Fall Social for families to get to know each other. It was agreed that a Pie & Bingo night would be added. Each family to bring a home-made pie, ice cream will be provided
 - g. Discussion about evening Home and School meetings, it was agreed that some meetings will be conducted in the evening. Linda will research potential speakers for Nov. 15th meeting
 - h. Discussion about the water bottles. The logo is rubbing off, Tim Geiger agreed to replace them at no charge. Current water bottle supply will be given away at the parades St. Paul's is represented at for marketing.
 - i. Calendar of Events:

i. Next meeting	Oct. 9, 1:45 p.m.
ii. Book Fair/Ice Cream social	Oct. 11
iii. Fish Fry	Oct. 12
iv. Pie & Bingo night	Nov. 7 6:30-8:00 p.m.
v. Guest speaker/meeting	Nov. 15 6:30 p.m.
vi. Breakfast with Santa	Dec. 8 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
vii. Father/Daughter Dance	April 11
viii. All School Picnic	June 5
 - j. Home and School Handbook – annual update done by Michele Varick
 - i. Teacher bios
 - ii. Ongoing fundraisers
 - iii. Computerized
 - iv. Handbook to be distributed the week of 9/17/07
 - v. Help needed to assemble the book, Tues 9/18 & Wed 9/19 – announcement for help will be made at orientation nights; Maggie and Michele will check into obtaining additional assembly equip.

3. **Treasurer's Report**
 - a. Review of final 2006-2007 budget report
 - i. Ending cash balance as of 6/30/07 was \$7,329.16 less deferred expenses of \$6,829.00 leaves an ending balance of \$500.16
 - ii. 2007-2008 budget was distributed and reviewed, Income and Expenses expected to be \$18,925.00
4. **Principal's Report**
 - a. Barb Romanello to prepare a report of Professional Development of the teachers throughout the summer
 - b. Exit interviews were conducted with families who left the school
 - c. Summer In-Service: Teachers met with the coordinator of the Gifted and Talented program from Sussex to learn strategies
 - d. Teachers attended an In-Service to learn about a professional development 3 year plan that sets individual target goals
 - e. 2007-2008 school year is off to a great start
 - f. Two great new teachers – Mrs. McClellan, Spanish and Ms. Wilhelmi, Grade 3
5. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. SCRIP
 - i. First cycle orders totaled \$17,200, generating profit of \$400
 - ii. Discussion about selling popular cards one day a month during drop off or pick-up: Pick N' Save, Kohl's, Marcus, Gas, Starbucks, Applebee's
 - iii. Use "Gift Cards" vs SCRIP in marketing – more descriptive
 - iv. Lori will encourage the use by each family at least once @ orientation
 - v. On-site sales: 10/12/07 Fish Fry and 11/8/07 Conferences
6. **Old Business:** covered in President's report
7. **New Business:**
 - a. front doorway mat: funds still need to be raised, cost of mat \$800-\$1200
 - b. Mother/Son event, determine type of event and date
 - c. Guest speaker for Nov. 15th event
 - d. Mentor Family Program progress
8. **Adjournment:**
 - a. Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.