

# Mother Teresa Parent Council Meeting Minutes

November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Meeting Called:** 6:03pm

**In Attendance:** Aura Street, Cody Young, Kelly Topp, Sarah Franchetto, Jennifer Ladouceur, Sheri Gizen, Jennifer Pinnell, Jay Pinnell, Jodi Breitzkreuz, Ariana Lecorps and Courtney Ritchie

**Additions & Approval of Agenda:** Approved

**Approval of previous minutes:** Approved

## **Old Business:**

InstaCakes: This fundraiser closes on November 8<sup>th</sup>, and pickup is planned for December 3 & 4<sup>th</sup> during parent teacher interviews. There is not a lot of action on this fundraiser, we will do one more social media blast before it closes.

Food Drive: The last day to bring items in is November 20<sup>th</sup>. The school received all the promotional flyers and such from WILD 94.5. Teachers are holding all donations in their classrooms until the last week of the drive where it will be collected in the main foyer.

Baking for Buses: For both events Mrs. Lang and Parent Council will send out information through social media.

- McBrides: We are scheduled for their Donut Day the last week of November. This fundraiser is at the McBrides location on Dunmore Road and whoever buys a donut that day part of the proceeds goes directly to Mother Teresa Parent Council. They have done 2 other fundraisers for different organizations this season and they both made over \$2,000.
- Bake Sale: Jenn L created a beautiful poster with all the baking donation information. We are keeping it simple with a set price for half a dozen and dozen sales. Parents can pay cash or Jenn L will accept cards through her business which she will then transfer to Parent Council. This will be held on December 3 & 4<sup>th</sup> at the parent teacher interviews.

50/50: Ring in The Holidays 50/50 is live and was noted in the November newsletter. It currently sits at \$0 and we will announce the winner at the

Christmas concert on December 18<sup>th</sup>. Draw time is currently set at 6pm but Jay will try to change that so we can sell prior to the concert starting at 7pm.

**New Business:**

West Coast Seeds: It is quite the competition to request to fundraise with West Coast Seeds. However, Jenn L filled out an application and it was approved! We will run this one closer to Mother's Day.

Albera School Council Engagement Grant: We have been granted \$500.00 to spend this year with no balance being carried forward from previous years. There are guidelines on how this money can be spent and we will talk about it again at the January meeting.

**Teacher Report:** Nothing to report.

**Principal Report:**

Christmas Musical Details: This year's musical is called A Christmas Yarn. The hope is that the audience participates by wearing Ugly Christmas Sweaters. If there are kids that do not have access to Christmas sweaters to wear, perhaps we could put out a call for donations and have them in a box at the office for those in need to pick from. Last year ticket sales were \$8 per seat. There have been no complaints in the past with the price of tickets and the performance is comparable to other shows in the city which are between \$12 & \$20 per seat. With the \$8 ticket price Parent Council still put in \$423 plus the busing cost last year. So, this year we will go ahead and raise the ticket price to \$10 per ticket, which will hopefully help offset the new busing costs. If there is any concern about families not being able to attend due to the cost, the school is willing to help so that no one misses out. Ticket sales will be 2 weeks prior to the show. Aura is going to ask if there is verification for handicap seating so that it truly goes to those in need, if there can be presale tickets for parent council and if we can open the balcony as well as the lower bowl for seating at the same time. Next year it is open to debate if we stay at the Esplanade or transition to Holy Parish as it is a free venue.

School Budget Review: This was reviewed.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 6:57pm

**Next Meeting:** December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024, at 6:00pm in Learning Commons.