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November 9, 2009, 7:00 p.m. PTL Minutes

Call to order-Pres. Cheryl Oberdieck

Opening devotion-Mr. Taylor

Introductions-Pres. Cheryl Oberdieck

Secretary's Report-Nancy Grosland

Took time to look over the September 8, 2009 PTL minutes

Motion made and seconded to approve September 8, 2009 PTL minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report-Amy Anders

Treasurer's Report was handed out and reviewed

Motion made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Development Report for PTL-November 9, 2009-by Marge Thiesse

1. **7th & 8th Grade Visitation Day:** It was Friday, October 2nd. 48 students attended from the three feeder schools. Of the 7th graders 9 yes, 11 undecided, 4 no's. 8th graders: 15 yes, 6 undecided and 3 no's.
2. **Grandparents Day:** About 185 students and grandparents were served that day. Many grandparents expressed their appreciation for this day.
3. **HyVee Smiles for Education:** Emily Anders' name was drawn at HyVee the week of 9/28. She won a laptop computer. MLHS won \$5,000. Special personal thank you and poster was sent to HyVee. Letter was also written to the editor at Fairmont Sentinel. The Board of Directors applied \$4,000 of this amount to Student Tuition Aid and \$1,000 to the billboard. (The Holiday one went up on the west side of North State Street by the railroad tracks.)
4. **LCMS Training:** I have been training sessions at the LCMS Foundation in St Louis. When all my course work is completed I will be a Certified Development Executive Gift Planner. My hope is to assist members of all of our Lutheran congregations to remember God's ministries in their estate plans.
5. **Thrivent Giving Plus:** This program will be discontinued this fall. It will be replaced with the Thrivent Choice Program which is based on the level of involvement that members have with them. By your direction, Thrivent will donate anywhere from \$25 to \$100 to the charity of your choice. Hopefully this new program will be a beneficial to MLHS as the previous one.
6. **Alumni Campaign:** Elroy Geistfeld has volunteered to send out another mailing to the alumni. I reworked the alumni brochure and letter. It was sent out to about 220 alumni that I thought might respond.
7. **Interactive White Boards:** 3M donated 6 interactive white boards to us. We were required to give some

to elementary schools and keep two ourselves. SJN, SPT, SPF and St John's Vianney all received one.

8. **Flat Screen Monitors:** Fairmont Medical Center donated 51 Flat Screen Monitors. Parker Weihe was instrumental in helping us receive them. A special thank you and poster was sent to them.

Joyful Thanks Fall Benefit Dinner: Monday, November 16th. Singer Erin Bode and Company will entertain. 1986 Alumnus Michael Reed will be our guest speaker. Posters and bulletin inserts went out to 75+ churches. 120 Letters went out to businesses asking for corporate sponsorship. 190 postcards went out to individuals reminding them to get their tickets and announcing that Marty & Virginia Krause were issuing a \$5,000 exit challenge. Please be sure to turn in your tickets, the caterer needs a count tomorrow. Right now we have not sold very many tickets at all.

10. **Martin Luther High School Sunday:** will be celebrated on December 6th in all association congregations.

Antique Auction: Saturday, January 2nd, 9:45 a.m. Families who have received Tuition Aid are expected to help. We will be setting up Dec 30 and 31st.

Endowment Fund: We are in the process of establishing the Martin Luther High School Endowment Fund. This fund will provide a place for donors to give their large estate gifts and strengthen the MLHS ministry for the future.

HYVEE Grocery Cards: Laurie Quinn is managing this program from the office. Thank you to our salespeople! Please remember to use them, we hope to double our income from HyVee from \$2,500 to \$5,000.

MLHS Website: www.martinlutherhs.com The PTL has a separate page. You can view the latest PTL minutes etc. Please remember to use the "Give while you Shop" page of the website also. By simply making goodsearch.com as your default search engine, you can donate to MLHS. When you shop online, stores will automatically donate to MLHS. We will have Subway cards available soon that you can fill with money, this will also qualify for an MLHS donation. There are thousands of sites that will now donate to MLHS if people just remember to use them!

Principal's Report-Mr. Patrick

Finished our first quarter

No school on Friday, November 13th.

- Faculty In-service
- Regular faculty meeting, technology presentation, ACT testing and what they expect students to know when they take the test.

Student Council sponsored Lock-In Friday, November 20th

- Beginning at 9:00 p.m.
- Ends at 5:00 a.m.
- \$5.00 entrance fee going to help fight M.S.
- Dodge Ball Tournament, 3 on 3 BB tournament, Pizza and other food
- Movie Room, Wii, Play Station, Guitar Hero, and Board games

Flu Season

- We have been blessed, so far, with low number of students that are sick.
- Continue to a vigil on your children and follow guidelines as we laid out for keeping your child home.
- Remind your child not to share water bottles, towels, etc. especially as we enter the basketball season.

Martin Luther in conjunction with the LGS will be holding a Kids Against Hunger event during Lutheran Schools Week on Tuesday, March 9th.

- The students from the Lutheran grade schools and MLHS will be putting together food packets.
- Each school is to raise \$100 for each packer.

-I would like to ask the PTL to sponsor our students in this project. Cost would be \$730
Christmas Concert-Saturday, December 19th at 7:00 p.m. at the Fairmont Opera House. Have dress rehearsal on Saturday morning at 10:00 at the Fairmont Opera House.
The choir will be singing at the Lutz Wing on December 8th (Tuesday) and at Goldfinch on December 15th (Tuesday). I am looking for drivers for both days. If you can help me out I would greatly appreciate it.

Grade at MLHS

- The LGS principals and myself continue to meet on the issue of Lutheran Education in South Central, MN.
- There is still a good number of people that are hesitant about dropping their 7th/8th grade in their elementary school and combining here at MLHS.
- We are working on ironing out these concerns.
- We feel that at some point in the near future that either because of numbers or because of financial concerns we as a "Lutheran School District" will have to address the future of Lutheran Education in our area. The Principal's and I have decided to continue to work on getting things in order so when that time does arrive we can make a smooth transition and keep Lutheran education vibrant in our area.

Guidance Report-by Mrs. Patrick

The PLAN test that was scheduled in October has been rescheduled for November 18th. Seniors are encouraged to finish their college applications by the December 1st deadline. Attendance policy was reviewed. Kids are encouraged to schedule their appointments during different class periods instead of the same class period each time. Students are encouraged to keep working hard.

Athletic Director's Report-Mr. Taylor

Jodi Geistfeld received a plaque for "2009 Athletic Hall of Fame"

Winter sports

-Wrestling: None Hockey: None Boys Basketball: 22 Girls Basketball: 19
Reid couldn't commit to coaching this year but plans on assisting when he can. Matthew will be coaching the Boys B-squad team.

Website directions are on the back of the schedules for updated changes as they happen along with game notifications.

Target Center-December 22nd.

- Girls play at 1:00, Boys play at 3:00, Timberwolves play after the boy's game all included in the price of the ticket. We need to sell 200 tickets.
- Will the PTL fund the bus to the games? Laurie will get the cost from Ron and e-mail the details.
- A motion was made and seconded to pay \$1,000 towards the bus and charge \$20 for tickets with \$5 of the ticket going towards making up some of the cost of the bus. Motion carried.

Volleyball/CC Banquet Potluck supper will be November 17th at 6:00 p.m. The Basketball meeting will start at 7:30 p.m.

A banner has been ordered to be put in the gym for the Girls Sub-Section Championship. The cost is around \$140 plus shipping.

-A motion was made and seconded to pay for the banner (approx. \$140 plus shipping). Motion carried.

Rummage Sale Committee Report:

Martin County Thrivent Matching Funds-\$450
This year we ordered a large dumpster which was perfect.

Fall Benefit Dinner Committee Report:

Monday, November 16th.
Sold approx. 40 tickets
Will have great food and music is very good.
Tables will be set up on Friday

Spring Benefit Auction Committee-Lori Rusert

Committee tries to set-up old families with new families
Will send out e-mail asking if anyone has a preference

Fine Arts Committee

Christmas Concert-Chairperson will need to contact Mr. Patrick

MLHS/Truman Breast Cancer dig pink volleyball awareness- raised \$5,000 towards cancer research with \$2,000 from the silent auction.

Lawn mower

Larry has taken care of getting the lawnmower fixed. The \$90 invoice was ran through the school by mistake.
PTL will purchase softballs.

PE Classes are getting larger and the budget is not. The result of the larger classes is the need for more equipment such as tops for ping pong tables. A motion was made and seconded to approve \$500 towards the purchase of tops for ping pong tables. Motion carried.

Gym Floor-Lyle Wolle brought up an alternative of 10 mil plastic for the gym floor instead of the plywood laid on the floors for such events like the rummage sale. Larry Bremer, Lyle Wolle, and Joel Oberdieck will talk it over with the Trustees.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Meeting Adjourn

Respectfully submitted by:

Nancy Grosland, PTL Secretary