New Business

Spaghetti Dinner

- Went over the budget by approximately $65. Biggest reason was a dramatic increase in cost of food from last year. There was also an increase in the number we estimated to feed by about 25 people, but the increase in food cost was not proportional to the number added.
- The 50/50 raffle and tips raised approximately $477. That amount went to the 8th graders. The 7th graders helped as well, but did not receive anything monetarily. I propose we use money from the budget that we have gone under on (Dart Wars for example) and donate a minimum of $150 to the 7th graders. I'm open to more on that number with Michell's okay. Please vote on this in a reply to this email.
- The HSA fed approximately 200-225 people. Most of the people appeared to be parishioners, and maybe Old North End residents.
- Is this an event that we want to continue going forward? It is tied for the most expensive events we hold. It is a community event, but are we reaching our community? More than reaching out to the surrounding community? I know many years ago it was much more of a Corpus Christi Family function. I would like to know the boards thoughts here. In light of participation being lower than we would like to see, I think it warrants talking about this further. If we decide to keep it as is, I'm okay with that, I'd just like to have the discussion. I bring it up now, so we can talk about it in March. If you have strong opinions either way please voice them. If you can't wait till March to voice them, I'll happily listen whenever, please call me.

Participation

- This is something we talked about in December and haven’t had much chance to really hit again in meetings. We need to address this in March. I would like everybody’s input here so please feel free to express your ideas. I do fear that if this doesn’t get better in terms of families participating in fundraising and attending events, we are going to see drastic losses in both areas.

Second General Membership Meeting

- We spoke in December or November about a 2nd general membership meeting, and whether or not we should have one. The General Membership meeting held in the fall was attached to the Town Hall hosted by the school. It was attended by members of this board, members of the SAC Committee, and school staff members. While I absolutely think there is value in a General Membership meeting, as it would give us a platform to address items like participation, I’m pretty confident getting an audience outside of the ones who attended in the fall is difficult. Do we want a 2nd General Membership
meeting? Do we have Ideas on how to attract an audience? This is also an item I’d like everybody to vote on in the reply email. My initial vote is NO at this time, but would like to hear from the rest of you.

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Donuts with Dads

- Date for event is 3/19 if that works for the school.
- I’ll coordinate for the event might be nice to have a helper of two.

Teacher Appreciation week

- Kristen Zimmer has been the coordinator in the past. She is really looking to step away and hand it off, but may stay to help a new person learn what needs to happen. I’ll speak with her further. Mrs. Degenhart might need to help find another coordinator.
- This is not really an HSA event, but we do give money to it. Last year the activities budget and PLC lunch budget for the 2nd semester funded the event to about $750. This year the activities budget only has about $200 dollars budgeted for the week, and we have $250 for 2nd semester PLC lunches. There is potentially $250 more if Mrs. Degenhart chooses to use the $250 not used that were budgeted for PLC lunches in the first semester. I am a little hesitant to use this money for that since we have overrun budget on a few items this year already. I am wondering if there is room in the activities budget to make up the difference. This needs to be looked at with Roseann Anderson.
- More on this in March

Community Events

- We have not done Dart Wars, and haven’t planned a 2nd semester Movie Night. Are we interested in scheduling one or both of these events this semester? Movie Night would be my vote, it has some other items attached to it that are already a cost to us. This is an item I’d like to hear from all of you on a reply so we can look at scheduling and getting coordinators lined up for them if need be.

That is all I had on the agenda for the meeting. Please get back to me on the items that need attention now, and I’ll see you all in March!!