# August 15, 2018 Most Holy Rosary Parent Teacher Council (PTC) – Officer Meeting

**Present:** Jennifer Petosa (Principal), Katie Zubrzycki (President), Bethany Rivera (Treasurer), Jen Morgan (Communications Secretary), Lisa O'Connor (Co-Vice President), Brad O'Connor (Co-Vice President), and Patty McMahon (Recording Secretary)

Meeting of the PTC Officers was called to order at 7:12 p.m.

#### **Review of Mission Statement**

The Mission Statement was read aloud, as follows: At Most Holy Rosary School, Jesus is our model; students are our focus. We promote academic excellence through meaningful learning experiences in a nurturing environment. Inspired by tradition, we develop strong Christian character for all who embrace our philosophy. Through partnerships with parents and the community, we prepare our students for lifelong success.

Mrs. Petosa requested that those in attendance review the Mission Statement and consider if we want to update it this year. PTC can return to this issue at a later meeting.

## Open Forum

No discussion.

## **Principal Report**

Mrs. Petosa informed the Council that the Diocese wants MHR to offer the Puberty Program to 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students during the 2018-2019 school year. It was the recommendation of the Council to offer the series to students with parents having the ability to opt-out; it was also suggested that a parent meeting be held prior to the classes begin.

There has been fluctuation in school enrollment, with some families leaving the school for a variety and undisclosed reasons; however, 6 new families have enrolled in the last week. Enrollment in Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade is particularly low and of concerned.

Stacie Romano will be the new part-time school nurse.

Mrs. Petosa would like to offer CPR training for staff on October 4, 2018. John McMahon is available to assist if needed; Mrs. Petosa will follow up with him.

Mrs. Petosa is looking for ideas to support teachers both personally and professionally. Bethany Rivera can set up meetings with a financial planner if teachers have an interest. The Council encouraged Mrs. Petosa to reach out to families to help.

## **Commission Report**

The purpose of the Commission was discussed.

**MOTION:** Bethany Rivera moved to disband the Commission for the upcoming school year, seconded by Katie Zubrzycki; the motion carried unanimously.

The Officers were encouraged to review the Bylaws to remove language of the Commission and propose revisions for Council approval.

# Treasurer's Report

Bethany Rivera stated that there is approximately \$1,300 in the bank; however, there are outstanding bills to be paid. She presented the past years budget and requested that a meeting be held to determine the budget for the upcoming school year so that she can request the funds from Father Fred. The meeting will be held Monday, August 20, 2018 at 7:30 pm.

# **Teachers Report**

No discussion.

### **Old Business**

**Art on the Porches:** Nominal funds were raised, and the money is being used as petty cash for Popsicles in the Playground event.

### **New Business**

**Schedule of upcoming PTC Meetings**: Tuesday, October 9, 2018; Wednesday, November 28, 2018; Monday, January 7, 2019; Tuesday, February 12, 2019; Wednesday, April 10, 2019; Monday, May 6, 2019; and Tuesday, June 4, 2019. The idea of starting meetings at 7:30 am with brief agendas was proposed; no final determination was made.

**Popsicles on the Playground:** The event is at 4:00 pm on Tuesday, September 4, 2018. Katie Zubrzycki purchased the popsicles and will bring the signup sheets; the tent is all set; clothes will be brought up from the uniform closet to encourage families to take clothes. Katie Zubrzycki requested that the Officers arrive early to help set up. In an effort to engage families of the youngest student, Patty McMahon will inform other Pre-K 3 parents, Brad and Lisa O'Connor will inform Pre-K 4 parents, and Jen Morgan will inform Kindergarten parents about PTC during in class presentations.

**Buddy Program:** Jen Morgan will reach out to Colleen Kompf for the contact information of the new families and will call each family. She will help connect them with a family that has a child in the same grade.

**Welcome Back Coffee:** The event will be held on Monday, September 10, 2018. Stations will be setup in the back and the front of the building to capture all families. Mrs. Petosa will send a Remind message prior to inform the parents so allow for a few extra minutes that morning.

**Blessing of the Backpacks**: The event will be held on Sunday, September 9, 2018 at the 9:30 am Mass. Father Fred prefer the kids to wear uniforms and a note will be included to let parents know.

**Curriculum Night:** The event will be held Wednesday, September 20, 2018 at 6:30 pm. Katie Zubrzycki will do a presentation regarding PTC and will bring signup sheets.

**Grandparents Lunch:** The event will be held Thursday, October 4, 2018. We need a new cook for this year; Katie Zubrzycki will reach out to some MHR families to request assistance. A follow up meeting will be scheduled once help is secured.

**Father Daughter Dance:** The event will be held on February 9, 2019 and is the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Bethany Rivera is planning the event again this year.

**Parent Ambassador Program**: The Council proposed to develop a committee; a signup sheet will be included at Popsicles on the Playground and Curriculum Night. This committee needs a clever name, so it is not intimidating to parents. This will be added to the agenda of the October PTC meeting.

**Room Parents:** It was discussed how the Room Parent structure can be more effectively utilized to engage more MHR families. This idea will continue to be explored.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty McMahon