Charlemagne PTO General Meeting

Tuesday, November 27th, 2012

1. Welcome from Angie and Larisa

2. New Business
   a. Strings Classes: Erin Carey introduced the string program

3. Principal’s report
   a. Parent-generated account balance/update – not available
   b. Community Living Project
      Key features:
      Create safe learning environment
      Establish interpersonal and learning attributes. Different classes sponsor different attributes.

      Includes: expectations, teaching strategies, reinforce/acknowledge/encourage, correction procedures, home-school partnership, assessment (figure out if it worked at the end – ask questions to parents, students, staff)

      How do you reinforce behaviors you wish to see?

      Correction procedures: verbal correction and have student restate the rule with optional mild consequence ((80-90%), Alert system: form that gets filled out and submitted to the parents. Way of recognizing that behavior is more than mild; intentionally hurtful, unkind, taking something, etc. Refer to principal: Refusing to follow directions, disruptive in class for example.

      Catrin Rode will help put together a survey that is more longitudinal in nature, not just one-shot deal, to see the effect of teaching these concepts over time.

      Looking for parents who are interested in being part of a committee to work with these attributes. Catrin volunteered for one of the two positions.

4. Site Council Report – Shannon Tom: Site council primarily discussed the Community Living Project. Concerns were raised by parents about articulation between Roosevelt and Charlemagne. Tom met with them. In the past there hadn’t been a meeting between the two schools. Discussion regarding the transition between Charlemagne and Roosevelt, continuing talks between the two schools and exploring opportunities to improve the articulation across the entire program.
5. Volunteer request: Mardi Gras games coordinator. This will be Shannon’s last year, so if someone wanted to volunteer this year, they could shadow Shannon during Mardi Gras 2013 and learn the ropes.

6. Committee Reports:

   a. Fundraising

      1) Poinsettias and wreaths: We made around $2,000. Janine needs volunteers to help with delivery and distribution.

      2) Mazzi’s: $610.67

         Dinner/date night out: Bounce: needs to be a Sunday night
         Nearby restaurant?

      3) Direct drive: $20,000. Will do in spring again.

      4) Book Fair: $8,800 total sales

      5) Holiday Fair: need more people to sign up.

      6) Spring Creek Holiday Trees: going on now. They give 50% to the school.

      7) Kendall Drive for Education program: No information yet. (responsible person not here to report.)

   b. Garden: Not much is happening. 300 daffodils planted. Will find someone to clean up perimeter in spring.

   c. Eprit de Corps

      1) Movie night: Good. Let’s do another. Do a more action-oriented movie.
         Halloween: parade great success.
      2) Thanksgiving fundraiser: Helped at least five families.
      3) Winter Warmth drive: Bring warm clothes, gloves, hats, etc.
      4) Book nook: Coupon for free book.

   d. eScrip: as of November 15th: 300 active people, net contributions: $409
         All contributions this calendar year: $3,900

   e. Co-Chairs Report:

      1) Update on PTO reps.: Updated list out.
      2) Update directory: At the printer.

December PTO meeting: No meeting for December. So close to the holidays. If we move it up a week, then it is only two weeks from November meeting and likely very little new business to cover.