

MINUTES
ST. ANTHONY'S P.T.O. MEETING
September 14, 2006

The PTO meeting was held in Room 14.

A light lunch was served at 11:45am and the meeting began at 12:00pm.

Mr. Carey led us in an opening prayer.

President Debbie Martin brought the meeting to order.

The new PTO Board members were introduced:

President - Debbie Martin	Secretary – Kina Harris
Vice President – Lori Shayesteh (absent)	Hospitality -Amber Donny
Treasurer – Mike Loughney	-Tamara Chapman
	-Sylvia Romero

TREASURER'S REPORT

1. There is approximately \$87,000 in PTO account.
2. Carnival so far this year has earned a net income of \$13,171.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

1. The new PTO Board along with new teachers and staff were welcomed.
2. At the end of last school year, all new state-of-the-art Social Studies textbooks were purchased (costing approximately \$40,000).
3. This year is a WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges) evaluation year. As a result our students will have several extra minimum school days. Teachers, however, will still be working.
4. Construction and Community Center Update:
 - a. The St. Anthony's neighbors are very unhappy with St. Anthony's School growth. These neighbors fear the Community Center will add to what they believe is an already overcrowded school. The neighbors had SAS construction stalled for 14 months. All City permits were stopped. The City was then left to enforce parking lane requirements. Therefore, 156 additional parking lanes must be added to school to accommodate Community Center extra square footage.
 - b. In order to add extra parking lanes, a "blacktop extension" is currently underway. Lanes will be painted on new extended blacktop and will serve to meet City parking requirements. During school hours, this blacktop extension will never be used as a parking lot. It will only be used then as students' play area. There is also to be basketball, 4-square, and other games painted on the new blacktop. (The lines will be painted in opposing colors to differentiate parking lanes from playground lines.)

- c. The Community Center project is primarily a Parish project and will be used by Church and school combined.
- d. Artist Renderings and Plan Board of the project were shared.
- e. Kindergarten playground has already been planned and \$25,000 has been set aside.
- f. One day a preschool may be built at SAS.
- g. Open Questions from Parents and Teachers:
(Parents expressed concern over 1) lack of available information on school construction and on change of building plans; 2) students' safety due to heavy equipment and unfamiliar on-site workers; 3) increased construction costs;) 4) Mr. Neumeier attending next PTO Meeting or offering alternative information meeting. Please see List of Questions attached.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. Steve Orlando and Paul McDougal promoted SAS Golf Tournament.
 - a. The tournament will be October 27, 2006 at Brighton Crest.
 - b. Last year this event raised \$15,000-would like to see \$30,000 this year.
 - c. Ticket prices to remain at \$150.
 - d. Looking for 10 corporate sponsors at \$2,500 each.
- 2. Carnival Report by Debbie Martin
 - a. The carnival is coming along nicely. Carnival chairpersons have walked grounds with Mr. Neumeier and although the event will be set up differently, it will not be downsized due to school construction.
 - b. New booths, games and script tables have been added.
 - c. The construction fences will be taken down temporarily.
 - d. A temporary entrance from Maroa will be built for both truck and pedestrian traffic.

PRINCIPAL REPORT'S CONTINUED

- 1. Existing Parking Lot Update
 - a. Parents expressed great concern over safety of children due to the state of existing parking lot. The Biggest concerns to parents:
 - i. No safety zones between parked rows of cars;
 - ii. No actual painted cross walks;
 - iii. Parking lanes are not painted consistently or in uniform which causes confusion;
 - iv. Parents warned this is a huge liability to both school and Parish;
 - v. An emergency parking lot meeting was suggested to make this top priority.

Mr. Carey led us in closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Kina Harris, PTO Secretary

List of PTO Meeting Questions
September 14, 2006

1. How long will the Construction fencing be up?
2. Can large water fountain on playground be fixed from flooding and temporary material added to stop flooding immediately?
3. Due to limited play space caused by construction, can we offer children other activity options at recess (boardgames, structured games, relays, etc.)?
4. When exactly will the swings be reinstalled?
5. Can 4 replanted mature trees be relocated to a spot other than where shade is currently existing along fence?
6. Will City definitely approve basketball and other game lines painted over parking lanes on new blacktop extension?
7. How many spaces will teachers have in their lot?
8. Where will \$2million deficit come from?
9. Is there an updated siteplan available for viewing?
10. When is existing parking lot completion estimated?
 - a. Safety zone in between rows of parked cars needed
 - b. Crosswalks need to have larger cones if can't be repainted immediately
 - c. Signs and chains are needed to block off safety zone in front of school
 - d. Volunteer crossing guards needed
11. Can Parish rectory be renovated in the future to allow church to use it rather than Community Center during school hours?
12. Will Mr. Neumeier please attend next PTO meeting to share construction information OR is there another informational meeting where interested parents are welcome to attend (ie: Project Committee Meeting, Facility Committee Meeting, Special Project Update Meeting)?