

OLV Parent's Guild

December 2009 Meeting Minutes

GUILD UPDATES...Kathy Tonry

- A sound system was purchased at a cost of \$666.00
- Holiday fair was very successful with a total raised of \$10,685.00
- School wide email list is complete-recipients will be blind cc'd news/info. from the guild
- Sitter service earned some money towards the DC trip
- Brick brochure is out there, cost \$202 to produce, have sold about 10 so far, and will extend sales through February
- Christmas concert on the 18th, Chris Rett will record the concert and we will sell the cd's with the kids artwork on the covers...forms have been sent out
- Scrip contest is underway, Jan. 8th is the drawing, prize is \$50.00 card of choice
- Would really like to get going on an FPP manual

***a discussion was held about FPP events and the guild's ultimate goal-raising money to only pay the bills or do we have bigger goals (keeping in mind that we are committed to contributing \$40,000 to the operating budget)? Should we as a school be trying to come up with a "super" fundraiser to replace the many smaller ones?

***discussed a possible vendor list to eliminate duplicate requests of vendors and make it fair for each event that needs such donations. Could we possibly put a link on the OLV website to vendors who do contribute to events?

***Contracts will go out in February before vacation. Any new fundraisers must be brainstormed and decided at the January meeting and voted on and finalized at the February meeting.

FAIR SHARE UPDATES...Frank Braney

- First round of paybacks have gone out, 32 families fulfilled hours and were reimbursed, 21 families are still completing hours with 10 of those committed to the golf tournament

FINANCIALS...Beth Hickey

- Handed out the most up to date PG finance information



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DECEMBER ATTENDEES...

1. Kathy Tonry
2. Thuy Houle
3. Beth Hickey
4. Christine Hourihan
5. Mary Pat Wickstrom
6. Mark Wickstrom
7. Rebecca Malone
8. Frank Braney

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CORPORATE SPONSORS...Patti Kane (submitted)

- Will be mailing in about 800 more Capri Sun pouches, Jeanne Riley has been an absolutely exceptional helper the last 2 months in collection and cleaning.
- There seems to be a potential discrepancy with what Box tops says our Dec check will be - they are saying estimated on one part of the site \$300 - but our acct shows \$697 processed -will be looking into this
- We did not even come close to our Labels for Education goal of 2500 labels and once I counted those, decided to not waste more time on advertising - I'll be submitting those next week.
- Curious what the group thinks for future box tops contests...I had an idea to maybe make it an individual or "family" competition monthly with a family prize awarded each month or individual student to win a dress down day each month...to MAYBE get everyone or at least more families to participate...Or I could just continue with a class competition. I'd be interested in anyone's thoughts.

MARKETING AND DEVELOPMENT...Scott Kane (submitted)

- Next new student open houses are scheduled for January 31st (Sunday) and February 2nd (Tuesday). I am working with the teachers and Mrs. Willand to train student tour guides better for the open houses and to create a FAQ sheet for them to refer to
- Advertising for the next open houses will go out just after the 1st of the year (except for ad in New Uxbridge Times--which will go in next week)
- We have also discussed getting more students involved--perhaps having an actual schedule of events for the open houses where students do "presentations"--like having the first graders read books, or middle school academy run a science project, etc. Parents are interested in what their child will learn, so we should have a demonstration for them
- Updating the contact information on the alumni list has been slow. It has been suggested that we try the "phone bank" idea in January where we train OLV students to call alums a couple of nights after school. The phone bank would require running all OLV telephone extensions into one room (cafeteria) and have the students make the calls from there. Do we know someone who can help us set up the telephone lines?

GOLF TOURNAMENT...Lori Guerra (submitted)

- We have secured a Friday for the tournament this year, the date is June 4th. We've been on a waiting list for quite some time now for a Friday and we finally got it!

HOLIDAY FAIR...Beth Brown (submitted)

- Thanks to everyone for their help with the Holiday Fair. We did not end up making what we wanted, but it was still very successful