

St. Thomas Aquinas Fundraising Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

Attendees: 26 Parents – Ashley Lundstrom, Vicky Kuras, Melissa Gibson, Shikha Batra, Adam Brown, Rachel Siderius, Sarah Palmer, Jayson Buck, Carol Caines, Courtney Unrah, Selina Kunadu-Yiadom, Janice David, Chelsey Howat, Danielle O'Neill, Dhanya Kurian, Nelson Stin-Joseph, Kwaku Amoako, Desmond Appiah, Ikechukwu Nuramordi, Manusha Phoolbosselq, Shawn Farrer, Janine Basergo, Isaac Osei-Anim, Alfred M. Lukhanda, Vivian Okelue, Shalom Ayyei

2 STA Staff – Anna Gomez, Kathy Voth

Call to Order @ 7:04 by Vicky Kuras

Introduction of Fundraising Club Committee Members

Review of previous minutes: Approved by Ashley L. & Seconded by Courtney U.

Financial Update by Ashley L.

- Full report to be presented at our next meeting
- How we did in the 2023/2024 School Year
 - Opening Bank Balance – September 2023 - \$7,049.87
 - We made \$31,192.53 from our fundraisers. These included Healthy Hunger, Christmas Shop, WEM Waterpark, Stawnichy's Meats, etc.
 - Some things we spent the money on were School Fun Days, Books for monthly book draws, Jr. High Soccer, Grade 8/9 Celebration, Math Software, Chromebooks, etc.
 - Bank Balance – June 2024 - \$5,144.60

2024/2025 Fall Fundraisers:

- Skip The Depot (Year Round Fundraiser)
 - Please use STA Fundraising Club (NOT St. Thomas Aquinas) when registering for Skip The Depot. If you use St. Thomas Aquinas the \$\$ goes to a school in Spruce Grove.
- Scoop & Bake Dough
 - Currently we have \$1750 in purchases. Our profit will be 40% of this total.
 - Deadline to order is September 28th with Delivery to the school on October 7th.
 - Flyers started going out to students last week, the remaining should go out Wednesday or Thursday this week. Only the youngest child in your family who attends the school will receive the flyer. In future the pamphlets will go out to all the kids.
- Christmas Market
 - This is planned for the 1st week of December.
 - Carmen & Amy have already been shopping & have gotten some amazing products & deals.
 - A volunteer is needed to take the LEAD on this fundraiser. This includes organizing volunteers & all the details that go along with this event.
 - More details will be discussed at our next meeting.

- WEM Galaxyland
 - Booked for February 8, 2025 in the morning.
 - We will start with selling 750 tickets.
 - To be discusses at next meeting: When to start selling tickets, Full-Day stay & play add-on, cost per ticket.
- Spring Fundraisers
 - From June's meeting we tentatively have Popcorn, Purdy's Chocolates, & Panago Pizza as fundraisers for after Christmas.

Healthy Hunger:

- Total Fundraised for 2023/2024 School Year: \$11,802.88
- Hot Lunch this year will be on the last Friday of the Month (except for December). Order deadline is the Sunday prior to the Hot Lunch date.

Fundraising Club Elections

- As Per our Bylaws, an election needs to be held yearly for the STA Fundraising Club
- Vicky Kuras called a start to the election
 - Chair – Vicky Kuras was nominated & approved
 - Vice Chair – Sarah Palmer was nominated & approved
 - Secretary – Melissa Gibson was nominated & approved
 - Treasurer – Janice David was nominated & approved
 - Healthy Hunger Coordinators – Courtney Unrah & Carol Caines were nominated & approved
 - Members At Large – Carol Caines, Manusha Phoolbosselq, Ashley Lundstrom, Jenna Schmidt, Amy Bohn, Carmen Signoretti

Next Meetings Scheduled for:

- Tuesday, October 20th @ 6pm
- Tuesday, November 19th @ 6pm
- Tuesday, December 17th @ 6pm

Meeting was adjourned at: 7:45pm