

# **St. Thomas Aquinas Fundraising Club Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, December 17, 2024

**Attendees: 6 Parents** – Adam Brown, Melissa Gibson, Janice David, Carol Caines, Rachel Siderius, Jenna Schmidt

**2 STA Staff** – Anna Gomez, Dan Pagnucco

**Call to Order @ 6:01pm by Adam Brown**

## **Opening Prayer & Land Acknowledgement**

**Review of previous minutes:** Approved by Melissa G. & Seconded by Carol C.

## **Financial Update by Janice D.:**

- Closing balance October 31, 2024 ---- \$ 165.55
- Closing balance November 30, 2024 ---- \$ 523.34
- CURRENT BALANCE December 17, 2024 ---- \$ 27,938.30
- December Hot Lunch, McDonald's, made \$ 1,183.65 – These profits will be donated to the ECSD Dreams for Kids Campaign. A cheque will be given to the school.

## **Fundraisers:**

- Christmas Market
  - A huge THANK YOU to Carmen, Amy & Courtney for their organization & purchasing of products! As well, THANK YOU to all our volunteers that helped the Christmas Shop run smoothly. It could not be done without you.
  - Total sales: \$ 29,894.80
  - Total Expenses: \$ 14,456.23
  - TOTAL PROFIT: \$ 15,438.57
  - We will see you again next year!
- WEM Galaxyland
  - Only 63 tickets have been sold to date. (out of 750 tickets)
  - Do we cancel fundraiser & refund purchases or try to sell them. If we cancel there is a \$5000 deposit fee.
  - Anna will send out a reminder email to parents. She will also contact the principal of Father Michael McCaffrey to see if they will help advertise.
  - Carol will look into a company that may be willing to purchase our unsold tickets.
  - Release tickets to the public on December 20<sup>th</sup>.
  - Questions about closed rides @ Galaxyland. Based on information from their website, the Boat & Merry-go-round will be closed. Playground scheduled to reopen December 20<sup>th</sup>.

## Healthy Hunger:

- McDonald's made \$ 1,183.65 - These profits will be donated to the ECSD Dreams for Kids Campaign.
- Courtney & Carol will plan out next HH's in the new year.
- Question about doing a hot dog sale. Sobeys may donate towards it. Too difficult logistically for a full school hot lunch. Possibility for just Jr. High students. Will be discussed again in the new year.

## Evening Sports Program:

- Starts Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Need volunteers: Adam, Janice, Carol & Nate will help for the first session.

## Other Business:

- Principal Request: Payment for Running Club Jerseys \$ 2,812.50 – This request was approved at the April 3, 2024 meeting. Janice will get a cheque for the school.
- Motion for a VOTE: Change STA Fundraising Club account from 2 signatures needed to single signing authority.
  - Questions about future board members being able to access the account individually. Suggested that we add to our bylaws that in order to be a signing authority on the accounts the individual would need hold a board position for a minimum of 1 year.
  - **VOTE APPROVED**

## Next Meetings Scheduled for:

- Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> @ 6pm
- Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm
- Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm
- Tuesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm
- Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 6pm

## Meeting was adjourned at: 6:33pm

Minutes Approved by:

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| Date: _____           | _____                    | _____                   | _____                     |
| Victoria Kuras, Chair | Sarah Palmer, Vice-Chair | Janice David, Treasurer | Melissa Gibson, Secretary |