ST. THOMAS HOME SCHOOL MEETING MINUTES APRIL 1, 2015

Opening prayer lead by Mrs. Jorkasky and the Pledge by Amy Higgins.

Welcome: Amy Higgings thanked everyone for coming. Upcoming events being planned. We have a Special Persons Lunch coming up in April. We will be having a pizza lunch and donated desserts are requested. Kevin Leonardis will also be taking pictures. We will also be having our buy one get one free book fair on April 27th and 28th. There is a sign up sheet with available times for those still wanting to help. Teacher Appreciation Day is May 5th. We will have a sign up for volunteers to help cover lunch/recess so that the teachers can eat together. This would be from 11-12:45. The end of the year field day is June 1st. Anyone who has suggestions/ideas and would be willing to help carry them out, please let us know. Amy thanked the judges for judging the our science fair. The judges were Dr. Randy Stuart, Terri Gardill, and Amanda.

Treasurer's Report / Chris Colledge: Fish Fry- \$7,008.15, Fall Foliage- \$21,227.17, Ladies Raffle- \$7,402.55, Gardners- \$554.00, Craft- \$3,978.20, Scrapbooking-\$306.59, Baseball Benefit- \$1,000.00, Pancake Breakfast- \$2,279.00, bingo-\$11,129.21, Golf- \$8,371.14. Santa's Workshop-\$ 519.85, Sportsman Raffle- \$6,300.00

Checking account total \$20,790.56. Contributions made to date to church is \$60,000 with \$12,000 remaining.

We will also be receiving 34 new tables for the school hall.

Jody Zimmerman: There will be a new volunteer policy. If you volunteer and work directly with the children you will need to complete the Youth Protection, PA Dept of Child abuse, and criminal history clearances. These are \$10.00 each. If you have not lived in PA during the past 10 years you will also need to have your fingerprints taken. These are good for three years.

Alumni dinner- Spring 2016, Julie Hines will be the chairperson

Family folders came home and report cards will be sent.

Deadline for Central PA Science fair is April 3rd.

Iowa testing will start next week.

Math 24 will be on 4/24/2015. Noah Leondardis and Dominic Yanoshak will represent 4th grade and Charles Noto and Thomas Jefferies will represent 5th grade.

First Communion will be April 26th.

PreK-K Field Trip: Circus 4/13/15

Grades 1-5 Field Trip: 5/18/15 1-5 will be going to the Frostburg Planetaruim

Spelling Bee will be May 6^{th} . 20-25 schools will be represented here. Ava Penatzer and Ben Wolfhope will be representing St. Thomas.

TATU- May 8th

May 15th spring program, costumes will be in family folders

Last day of PreK will be May 29th and June 2nd for upper grades

Science Fair Winners

PreK-K: 1st place- Ellison Will; 2nd place-Patty and Katie Kovack; 3rd place- Helena Corle 1st-5th: 1st place- Ben Wolfhope; 2nd place- Shannon Letrent; 3rd place- Samuel and Emily Pratt

Class Project Winner: Fourth Grade

CPM / Tammy Wolfhope: The group is working on a commercial and window car clings. They would like you to continue to like the Facebook page. The school web page will be updated with the new school logo.

Fundraising / Steve Yanoshak: We are going to try to implement a new fundraising policy for the upcoming school year. There will be three periods in the year with a chance to work of the fee each period. The next fundraiser will be May 30th. This will be the Sportsman Raffle. Bethany Cotchen thanked everyone for their work on the fish fries and pancake breakfast. **Elections:** Nominations were taken from the floor to fill the open member at large position of the board for 2015-2016 school year. Jess Kraft was nominated and nomination was accepted. There were no other nominations made for board positions.

Door prize winner: Brian Jefferies won a Bob Evans pancake mix. There is also a bag of pancake mix and milk for sale. See Bethany Cotchen Thank you all for attending!