

**St. Jude Catholic School**  
**Parent Teacher Organization Minutes**  
**December 14, 2006**

Vicki Rohrman opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes of the November meeting were read. Julie Molloy moved to approve the minutes and Lisa Beretta seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as read.

**SISTER'S UPDATE**

Homework Watcher is now in operation. This service is a way for the teachers to communicate with the parents. Emergency school closings will also be announced through Homework Watcher in addition to the normal media channels. Families cannot contact teachers through Homework Watch and should continue to contact teachers via telephone or the teacher's SJS email address. If you are not signed up, please do so through you teacher.

Holiday activities are listed on the web page for Christmas week. Christmas break will start December 20 and school will resume January 3, 2007.

ISTEP results from the fall testing are in and will be distributed to parents in January. Overall, results were good, slightly lower than last year, but still very good.

**VICKI'S UPDATE**

Mrs. Wooldridge has received the chairs for her classroom. Mr. Peterson has received most of his equipment.

The PTO, in conjunction with the Men's Club, will be donating \$1200 to the Tuition Assistance Fund from Breakfast w/Santa. Nan Murphy volunteered April Faust and herself to serve as the chair and co chair for next year's breakfast.

Kelli Kappus sold 127 poinsettia plants for a profit of \$312. Marty Meyer, Meridian Street Greenhouse, is hoping to incorporate a web page for ordering the poinsettias for next year. This will help boost sales/profit due to eliminating some of our cost of printing the order forms and advertising more in the church bulletin and Scroll.

Greenery Sale profited \$440. Good results for the first year of this sale. In addition, the sale took place in one week. A few extra items were ordered and sold at B'fast with Santa.

SJS license plates will arrive before Christmas. Faculty and staff will each receive as gift from PTO. Vicki will try to organize the sale of the plates and other spirit merchandise at CYO games.

SISTER HAS REQUESTED THAT THE SJS DUFFLE BAGS SOLD THRU PTO ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE USED AT SCHOOL. THEY ARE FOR THE CHILDREN TO USE FOR SPORTS OR TRAVELING. THEY ARE MUCH TOO BIG FOR USE AT SCHOOL.

Mr. Kelley has arranged for an all school program during Catholic Schools Week. It is a Marionette presentation and the cost will be \$450. Program has been approved.

Heidi Smith and Denise Cook volunteered to chair the magazine sale next year.

Lisa Beretta will lead the book sale again next year.

Molly Schrader announced that the next MOMS group will start the second week of January. All mothers are welcomed to attend. Contact Molly Schrader at 788-9311 for more information.

Several parents have been interested in starting the SCRIPP's program at our school. This is an ongoing fundraiser which sales gift cards from numerous restaurants, stores, etc. Basically, the merchant pays the school a percentage for each card sold. This program has proven financially successful for many schools in our area. It will take a dedicated volunteer to administrate the program. The program would be available parish-wide. Vicki will get in touch with Greg Dant on this issue.

Sister will be the "twelfth man" at the New Year's Eve Colts game vs. Miami. She will get to throw the ball onto the field before the game.

Sister closed the meeting with a prayer.

After the meeting's closure, we continued with the annual PTO Christmas Party at the home of Pete and Julie Molloy. Again, thank you for a very nice time and allowing the party to be at your home.

Respectfully submitted,

Donitta Barrer  
Secretary of PTO