

LIFE GROUP MINUTES from January 9, 2017

The LIFE meeting was held on January 9, 2017 with 22 people attending.

Mandy Pederson opened the meeting with a prayer.

Mandy Pederson spoke about the upcoming Mardi Gras Carnival on February 26, 2017. Cheryl Kelly has volunteered to co-chair the event with Mandy. Cheryl will handle the kitchen/meal side of the event and Mandy will handle the carnival games.

Carrie Novy will again chair the Gala this year. The Gala is on April 28, 2017. The first meeting will be set in the next few days.

Susie Wendland gave an update on student council. With the new semester starting, there are also new representatives on the student council. Recently the student council ran a toilet paper drive and donated 1,500 rolls to the food pantry. The student council is also discussing having another talent show. As of today, the student council has made a profit of \$169.95

Rachel Hendricks and Susie Wendland gave an update of the LIFE checking account. Current balance is \$6,147.05. This amount also includes the \$50 volunteer deposits. After the volunteer deposits are taken out, the LIFE group has \$3,647.05. The student council also has a balance of \$169.95 in the LIFE checking account.

Brenda Anderson presented School News. On February 12, Sean Forest will be at St. Lawrence. As parents, we are encouraged to attend. Greenery sales were down approximately \$1,000 this year. Last year the school profited \$7,076. This year the profit was \$6,068.

Susie Wendland gave a recap of the Fish House Raffle. The fish house was purchased for \$10,800, we paid insurance of \$150, additional prizes of \$1,900, ticket sales totaled \$25,000, and a donation of \$200 was given for gift cards. The total profit from the fish house raffle was over \$12,000. The funds raised will be used toward technology upgrades at St. Lawrence School.

Candee Cloos told the LIFE group that the 5th grade's service project involves providing shoes to children in Uganda through the organization SoleHope. Information about the organization can be found at solehope.org. The shoes are made out of jeans and plastic material.

The next LIFE meeting is March 13, 2017

Mandy Pederson closed the meeting with a prayer.

Meeting was adjourned for the school staff.

The rest of the members stayed to discuss gifts for the teachers and staff for Catholic Schools Week. Parents volunteered to be in charge of certain days. Wednesday the LIFE group will provide lunch to the teachers and staff as an appreciation of all they do to make Catholic Schools Week a success. Group approved the use of LIFE funds to provide the food for the staff.

Mandy Pederson, LIFE group Vice President/Secretary