

St. Eugene School Board Agenda

September 8, 2009

Minutes

Members Present: Fr. Jerry Herda, Sally LaRosa, Kristy Drehobl, Bernadette Gauss, Dan Galligan, Peggy Reilly-Stebnicki, Ann McCabe, Trish Ullrich, Dave Denton, Larry Kane, Christine Melloch.

Ex-Oficio: Michael Taylor

Representative: Joe Mirsola

The meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m. after prayer and announcements with the full council in Church.

Highlights:

The board reviewed Calendar and agenda with Bernadette encouraging consistent and collective participation at all parish events such as Parish picnic, Open house, and general parish Functions.

As a board we were reminded to review the strategic plans and goals for 2009-2010. As members we need to be aware of how the long term goals are being executed and pursued during our subcommittee meetings.

The board discussed possible community events such as a 5K run and a St. Eugene fair. There was discussion of how the impact is calculated, in dollars or in relationship building with parish

community and public relationships. It was decided that further investigation would be done.

Reports by committee chairs:

Principal – Michael Taylor encouraging the definition of our boundary as school board volunteers/participants when approached by “grey area” questions. Redirect questions or concerns to the appropriate person/department/branch.

New programs this year include Webgrader, which provides parents with online access to grades, and Accelerated Reader, which replaces book reports.

Policy and Planning- Ann McCabe and Peg Stebnicki- A preliminary survey will be discussed regarding a possible K3 program at St. Eugene’s School.

Pastor- Fr. Jerry Herda- He was pleased and encouraged this committee to pursue new referral source promotion process. He encouraged the process to include open mindedness and not reinvention of the wheel.

Fr. Jerry also indicated that the K3 program idea would not be a good idea if the cost outweighed the financial gain. He also suggested that we connect our school service to high school service suggesting that perhaps St. Monica and St. Eugene students unite in this effort to do service. He encouraged Dan Galligan’s suggestion of sitting in on a board meeting at St. Monica’s to gain insight into their approach of rallying support for volunteers. He indicated that he is concerned about underperformance of school families when it comes to financially supporting the annual fund. A subcommittee has been formed to study the current imbalance of funds.

Parish Liaison- - Kristy Drehobl - No report

Public Relations- Trish Ulrich has been effective in helping define the logo and tag line “Guiding hearts, Growing Minds”. Many hours of work have gone in to this effort and the result shows it. Well done.

Finance- Larry Kane- No report

Home and School Liaison- Christine Melloch - No report

Teacher Representative- Joe Mirsola indicated the positives of having successive 4 day weeks easing teacher and kids into new schedules.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. to Mackin Hall for committee reports and social hour.