

St. Eugene School Board
Tuesday, November 10, 2009

Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Fr. Jerry Herda, Michael Taylor, Bernadette Gauss, Dan Galligan, Peggy Reilly, Trish Ullrich, Sally LaRosa, Dave Denton, Larry Kane, Kristy Drehobl, Christine Melloch, Joe Mirasola, and Suzanne Veseth.

The meeting was called to order at 6:45p.m. after Common Leadership opening prayer in church and began with faith sharing.

The majority of the meeting was spent discussing the concept of a Kindergarten age three program/classroom to begin in September 2010 and presented at the January 2010 St. Eugene School Open House.

REPORTS:

(This includes the policy and planning committee's work as well as the principal Report)

Principal Michael Taylor provided a 2 page proposal for K3 program for St. Eugene School which included bullet points of Timetable, schedule, staffing, cost considerations, enrollment limitations, curriculum, space, accreditation. With overhead costs already taken into consideration, we would need just 6 children to break even. The phone calls made and emails sent to prospective parents revealed a variety of interested families. Some parents asked about extended care for their 3 year olds. The board discussed and questioned concerns and advantages to starting a K3. A unanimous decision was made for the concept to be proposed by Kristy Drehobl to the Parish Council after the meeting.

Fr. Jerry- Discussion over a 5K run concluded in deferment of that idea for now in lieu of pursuing other events which might inspire community building. Fr. Jerry noted that new parish registration has increased, Mass attendance has increased, and he notes that spirit is up with increased Mass attendance. Later this month Fr. Jerry will be traveling to a National Catholic Youth Conference with local students to join close to 20,000 youth nationwide.

President- Bernadette Gauss: Discussion of Annual Fund raising process briefly reviewed. Fr. Jerry wants all members to stand behind the Annual Fund by utilizing direct deposits, matching corporate gifts, doubling gifts.

Parish Council Liaison- Kristy Drehobl- Kristy will present the K3 idea to the parish council and act as liaison with providing feedback related to follow up questions and specific council needs regarding the proposal.

Public Relations- Trish Ullrich- November 19th is the 3rd Fall Coffee open house wherein the public relations committee hopes to see at least a handful of families attend. Invitations have been personally handed out to local schools and teachers. Mr. Taylor will host a presentation about St. Eugene School and coffee and donuts will be provided along with tours of the K4 and K5 classrooms while in action.

Policy and Planning- Ann McCabe not present, Peggy Reilly-Stebnicki- Please refer to Principal's report and K3 proposal.

Finance – Larry Kane- Not present

Home and School Liaison – Christine Melloch- A family game night will be held November 14 at 6:30 p.m. in Mackin Hall. Any family who attends is asked to bring along one plate of cookies to pass and a board game. The magazine sale has made its financial goal. Home and School funded a proposal from Mr. Murphy to purchase music stands, a cymbal, and a bass drum stand. Those items have arrived.

Teacher Representatives- Joe Mirasola, and Suzanne Veseth- Wrinkles are still being worked out of WebGrader. The book fair will be having extended hours after Mass and during school conferences, and over the weekend.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. for meeting recaps from each committee and social hour to follow in Mackin Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Reilly-Stebnicki, Planning and Policy committee, School Board Secretary