

June 23, 2010 – St. Dominic Catholic School Board Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Susan Barnes, Marie Wilson, Scott Schallon, Dan Simpson, Harold Robinette, Susan Giddings, Karen Lewicki (alt.), Mary Jo McCarty (principal designee)

Also Present: Andy Barnes, Karen Schallon (notes), Frances Ashley

Correction to prior meeting minutes (June 16): Dan Simpson was present.

All action items from prior meeting were complete except contacting all of the prospective new board members.

Registration Report – 50, same as last week. 37 Catholic in K-5. 44 in Preschool, 30 Catholic. PreK full at 18 with 4 on waiting list (3 of which are registered for the 4 yr. old class). It would be nice to have a full list of which families are actually registered so that we can talk with non-registered families from the previous year or those who may be on the fence. Will see what happens after Catholic Charities comes through.

Is it possible to schedule an open house before our usual date of Friday before school starts? Possibly during the Fun Fest picnic the last Saturday from 5-6 pm. ← Mary Jo to check with Debbie on the date

Catholic Charities report – has the report and Catholic Charities (Robbie) is making appointments with the families this week. Then the recommendations will go to Father Nolan after next Monday, when the last meeting is scheduled, who will consult with the church finance board. The result of that meeting will go back to Catholic Charities who will mail letters to the families.

Uniforms – Parent letter, phase in proposal and policy presented with price list for the skirts/jumpers (from a Knoxville vendor), implementation policy and letter to the families. Reason for having them to start with is stated in the letter being sent home to families. Clarify a little about the “professionalism” aspect/school identity/building school spirit. The negative to having uniforms now is why so strict now. The letter, photos of the uniforms, and policy table describing the uniform options excluding the details about rolling up sleeves, etc. and excluding the infraction policy will be revised and sent by email for approval by end of this week so that it can be mailed next week to mail by July 1. Also noted that 5th grade only families will have only one year in uniforms and there may be most resistance from them – the school should be prepared to be sensitive to this.

- Susan B and Karen to work together on making the letter more positive and send to the board for review and approval before Sunday. Board to review and give feedback or approval before Monday so that the letter can be mailed on Tuesday.
- The rest of the policy / infraction section, etc. will be reviewed at a later date. Deadline for the next round of decisions is October so that the full policy can be published and discussed well in advance of January implementation.

Selection of Additional Members – Marie left a message for Jennifer Mize who is on vacation, Karen Lewicki has agreed to be an alternate and Susan Barnes will call Bill Coleman. Need to have a calendar in place so that we can tell prospects what to expect. Will still meet every Wednesday through the rest

of the summer and then go to once a month as soon as possible, proposed as first Wednesday of the month. **Marie** will call John Goglick. ← Action items in here.

Cardboard Boat Race Update – Mary Jo made flyers, **Zach Giddings** contacted all the scouts in Troop 387 and will be in charge of making a St. Dominic School boat to race. Mike Callahan of Pack 250 notified all the cub scouts in his group. It will be in the bulletin for the next few weeks before Fun Fest and is posted to the school website. **Mary Jo** will make enough copies of the flyer to fill the bulletin. **Andy** will ask the FunFest organizers to put a link to the registration and rules on the FunFest website. **Scott** volunteered to help the day of the race, Sat July 17. Andy needs more volunteers.

Summer Program update and late payments – one family paid, but no additional progress because Debbie is out of town. 19 students, 4 adults and 1 bus driver went to Bays Mountain today. Possible preschool student is visiting summer camp this week while in town visiting grandparents. Mother may move back to area.

For next meeting – revisit uniform policy, revisit payment of summer camp late fees, Derek will need to hand over his paperwork on golf tournament, talk about development (first meeting after July 4th).

Mary Jo ended meeting at 8:34 with a reading.