

St. Dominic School Board Meeting, July 29, 2010

Called to order at 7:02 pm with prayer by Fr. Mike Nolan.

Board Members Present: Jennifer Mize, Harold Robinette, Dan Simpson, Karen Lewicki, Debbie DePollo, John Goglick, Scott Schallon, Marie Wilson, Susan Giddings, Susan Barnes

Also present: Frances Ashley, Mary Jo McCarty, Karen Schallon (notes), Joanie Hrivnak

Review of prior two set of meeting minutes – July 7 & 14. Motion made by Susan G to accept, seconded by Dan and unanimously accepted.

Need to get Harold and John G a handbook.

Scott is working on coordinating the school staff luncheon next Friday, August 6. Signup sheet sent around for everyone to volunteer to bring items – salads, pasta salads, soup, bread, dessert, fruit tray & be there that day to facilitate.

Flyer update – Andy finished the flyer and they are at the school. Andy hopes to have the brochure ready soon. Need to bring some of the flyers to the church.

Mary Jo mailed letter to families of the parish that have school age children that are not currently attending the school.

Certificates of Appreciation for last year's board are complete.

Marie sent a notification to the church that we would like to have a Back to School mass at 9:30 am on August 15. Also broadened the idea to include all students returning to school (not just St. Dominic School students) wear their school colors or red if they do not have a specific school color (including the college students). Will hold off School Board installation until Catechetical Sunday, September 19.

Action Item: Request permission to address the congregation at the end of August about the school.

All remaining action items have been completed and cleared. School open for the Fun Fest picnic was very successful for bathroom breaks and to cool off from the heat. May be worthwhile for next year.

Karen Lewicki has accepted the DRE position of the parish and requests to resign as an alternate School Board member. Marie made a motion to accept the resignation, it was seconded and unanimously accepted. Karen will still attend meetings and be a liaison with the parish as well.

Susan G will accept the position of Secretary. The board voted unanimously for her nomination.

Scott S submitted his name for the office of Vice Chair. The board voted unanimously to accept.

Academic Development – Debbie has agreed to the chair of the committee. Dan made a motion to accept the nomination, Susan seconded, and the board voted unanimously to accept.

Scott made a motion to create a Business Development and Budgeting Committee, seconded by Dan and voted unanimously. Susan G made a motion for Lucian and Marie to co-chair the committee, seconded by Susan B and voted for unanimously by the board.

Objective Summary:

- Number One: Strengthening our overall Catholic culture and identity by full participation in Sunday Eucharist

Transform our K-5..... Substantially And at Sunday Eucharist

- Enhancing enrichment offerings (such as music, art, language, etc)
- double check the definition of complimentary vs. complementary in Evolving the School-Aged-Care... as well as adding the word be (Evolving the Year Round School-Aged-Care program to be a complimentary and fun addition to the school serving the needs of the families). All needs will be considered, but the 5:45 time restraint is due to state requirements regarding meals.
- Change Improving the image.... to Enhancing the image and appearance of our school
- Reevaluating tuition level to and SAC pricing and establishing tuition aid policies and processes

SUPPORT K-5 transformation by:

- Nurturing an attitude of gratitude
- Encouraging school pride within St. Dominic Parish
- Expecting and empowering school leadership.....
- Proactive management through the school board with parish leadership oversight
- Engaging resources and expertise available through the Diocese of Knoxville
- Investing in teacher capabilities and classroom resources
- Fostering the church-school relationship to increase gifts of Time, Talent, and Treasures from parishioners
- Expecting students, parents and educators to be the best possible ambassadors for the school at all times
- Increasing the transparency of the budget and financial statements

Take reference of ETC out in all cases.

Final revisions will be reviewed and voted on at the next meeting.

Registration Report – 53 students are registered in the elementary school (40 Catholic). 44 registered in the preschool (29 Catholic).

Fun Fest Report – Ward Giddings recorded the snippets from the boat race on their DVR. He will be working on getting it in a format that can be uploaded to the new website. Dan thanked everyone on behalf of Alicia Simpson, Traci Strohm, Andy Barnes and Deacon Bob for everyone’s participation in the parade, boat race, and Kids Central. **Susan G** to write thank you notes. Also, thank you very much to the Robinette Family for their dedication in staying in the school parking lot during Fun Fest events.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm with prayer by Fr. Mike Nolan.

After meeting was adjourned and since we had run out of time for the meeting, Fr. Mike passed the tuition aid report to Marie as follows: 13 households completed tuition assistance process. 20 students were awarded tuition assistance. 13 students will not pay any tuition this school year.