

St. Dominic School Board Meeting

December 1, 2010

School board members in attendance: Scott Schallon, Marie Wilson, Susan Giddings, Jennifer Mize (notes), Harrold Robinette, Debbie DePollo

Others attending: Ed Ginty, Mary Jo McCarty, Joanie Hrivnak

Meeting opened at 7:30 with a prayer by Jennifer. We started late due to the longer than expected Advent dinner.

Minutes: Motion by Scott to accept as written, seconded by Susan. Approved unanimously.

Upcoming events were discussed

Marie passed around a letter in reply to the fifth graders (their letters were read at the previous school board meeting). It was accepted by the attendees.

Upcoming HASA activities including the greenery sale (on December 5th) and Breakfast with Santa (December 11th). Several pre-orders were sent it to school. Planning is underway for both events. Response for Breakfast with Santa seems strong.

Leaves were raked at the school by Bob Farley. Signs are being made (We're Open on Snowy Days, Come and Check Us Out, St. Dominic School). We will put them up when county schools are closed due to snow (and we are in session). Need to get the brush mulched and spread or removed. **Marie** to contact her tree guy to ask if he can mulch the pile. **Scott** to call Jim Ginder to arrange for use of the lift to replace the light bulbs in the gym prior to the Advent program on December 16. **Jennifer** to send the list of people who said they would help with indoor maintenance to Scott and Harrold. We discussed inviting Charlie Langlianas to the Wednesday morning breakfast and Mass on December 8. **Mary Jo** will call him to extend the invitation. **Marie** to get the Ford System data on the cleaner costs.

Everyone to think about tasks needed and opportunities at the school in preparation for the bishop's visit on January 30th for Catholic Schools Week.

Susan reported on positive feedback from the Parish Council meeting. Susan updated them on our fundraising efforts and enrollment. Our expenses are almost identical year-to-date, compared to last year, but our income is up over \$50,000 this year. This is very exciting news!

65th Anniversary: February 19th adults event with Mass followed by dinner by Giuseppe's, Has-Beens band (donation of 2 hours), and small silent auction. The Knights of Columbus will be assisting. Ornament sales have been about 80-90 (200 ornaments were originally purchased). Invitations will be sent out to all 880 registered parishioners. Bishop Stitka will be here Sunday, January 30. The normal Wednesday night Catholic Schools Week dinner will be moved to Sunday lunch to coincide with the bishop's visit. He will officiate at the 9:30 am Mass, followed by a visit to the school, traditional children's program, debut of the school song, and lunch. Ed and Shirley Parsons will be cooking.

We have 2 new kindergarteners and a new three-year old preschooler. We are ready for Church Day on Friday. Upper grades (3, 4, 5) are going to participate in 15 minutes of Adoration.

Bishop's 25th Anniversary in Knoxville, December 19 – Dan is planning a carpool. He suggested asking the students to make congratulatory cards for the bishop. We suggested making a big card from the school to send to the celebration. **Mary Jo** to coordinate the card.

Susan's sister will be doing work with Facebook / Twitter for increasing our internet presence as discussed at the previous meeting.

Scott to send a thank-you note to Eastman for the donated filing cabinet.

The school information on www.local.yahoo.com needs to be updated. www.localschooldirectory.com is a third website for rating the school. (Others are www.greatschools.com and www.education.com)

Action item review

Marie took notes on her copy of the agenda, which included all action items at the bottom. Several old and completed action items need to be removed.

- Scott to follow up with Andy on the brochure. Corrections need to be made so we can get it printed.
- Thank you for light bulbs can be sent after they are installed (by December 16).
- Ed, Scott, and Harold to scope out nature trail project for scouts.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 pm with prayer by Harold.