St. Hilary School Board Meeting Minutes

Date:

12-13-2016

Attendees ('X' = present):





1. Opening Prayer – Father Steve

2. Welcome

- a. School Board President (David Woodburn) had a conflict and was unable to attend Meeting was chaired by Kevin McGrath
- b. November meeting minutes approved
- c. Finance Council
 - i. Attended by Jim Bisesi and Lou Camerato
 - ii. Hidden in Plain Sight program info shared with Finance Council
 - iii. School internet speed increased
 - iv. Lot resurfacing completed above budget
 - v. Outside contractors have been hired for janitorial services to clean school at night shift (beginning at 3 PM)
 - 1. Challenge to fill position with full time associates initial trial with contractors going well
- d. Parish Council
 - i. "Be my Witness" surveys are being sent to select parishioners
 - 1. 1 of 4 pilot parishes in the Cleveland Dioceses to participate
 - 2. Subjects to include Sunday experience / welcoming / Mission
 - 3. Survey results will lead to five year parish plan
 - 4. 300 responses to date from first survey
 - ii. Parish website upgrade in consideration
 - 1. Considering various companies for website and for branding / logo
 - iii. Relaunching Facebook account

3. Pastor's Report - Father Steve

- a. Christmas falls on Sunday this year
- b. Recently the parish has had a high number of funerals
- c. Communal penance service scheduled for 12/14/16

4. Principal's Report – Mrs. Arnone

- a. STEM Update
 - i. First draft of STEM proposal has been sent to consultant
 - ii. Have to think bigger not just year to year

- iii. Classes have started working together
- iv. Business and higher education partnerships are still in development
- v. Arts, humanities, economics are all part of the life experience part of STEM
- vi. STEM school visit to Barberton planned for 12/14/16
- b. Financial Literacy parent inquiry
 - i. Economics are a part of several grades curriculum
 - 1. Examples of various economics subjects by grade shared with Board
 - 2. 5th grade stands out with economics being a large part of school year
- c. Lock down drill with real students planned for 12/16/16
 - i. Follow up to the live shooter drill
 - ii. Navigate Prepared App available
 - 1. Procedure access available on smart phones
 - 2. Respond tabs allow attendance to be sent to Mrs. Arnone
 - a. Database being created

5. Business Manager's Report – Lou Camerato

- a. Finance Council meeting week of 12/19 to set tuition levels
- b. Estimated enrollment completed
- c. 12-15% health care cost increase from Diocese expected
 - i. Increase of approximately \$38k
 - ii. Some increase related to Affordable Care Act

6. Marketing Report – Debbie Sinopoli

- a. Kindergarten enrollment at 44
- b. Open House planned for Jan 29th from Noon 2 PM
- c. Registration packets and new registration pending
- d. School is now on Facebook has been live for about 2 weeks
 - i. School completed a Mannequin Challenge and posted on Facebook account

7. Parent's Association – Nicolle Swiatkowski

- a. Celebration planning continues to progress
 - i. Date of event 3/11/17
 - ii. Location: John S Knight Center
- b. Catholics School week pending

8. Questions / Comments from Attendees

- a. Calamity days done by hours not by days
 - i. Equivalent of 8 days allocated for this year down from 11 last year
- b. Next meeting will be on 1/18/17 as a combined Parent's Association and School Board meeting in the Gathering Area "State of the School" Address
- c. Visitors from China coming to school in January
 - i. 11 educators / 8 students
 - ii. 2nd visit to St. Hilary
 - iii. Cultural exchange
 - iv. Coordinated by Learnosphere company
- 9. Closing Prayer