

St. Hilary School Board Meeting Minutes



Date:

11-8-2016

Attendees ('X' = present):

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| X | Bisesi | X | Arnone |
| X | Goske | X | Brunovsky |
| X | McGrath | | Camerato |
| X | Redle | X | Sinopoli |
| X | Reese | | |
| X | Swiatkowski | | |
| X | Tracy | | |
| X | Woodburn | | |
| X | Woodman | | |

1. Opening Prayer

2. Welcome

- a. October meeting minutes reviewed / approved
- b. Finance Council
 - i. Meeting time change caused meeting to be missed by School Board rep
- c. Parish Council
 - i. Christine Tracy attended and represented School Board
 1. Shared the STEM update and idea of project involving honey bees
 2. Shared 'Saber Stories'
 - a. Opportunity to post on St. Hilary social networks, link to Parish website for parents "shopping" for schools
- d. Parish and School websites are planned to be redesigned

3. Pastor's Report - Father Steve

- a. Men's retreat
 - i. Still has open spots for Loyola retreat
 1. Randy Malick coordinating and accepting attendee names
- b. Church is now dry – investigation to paint interior in process

4. Principal's Report – Mrs. Arnone

- a. STEM Update
 - i. Governance board meeting for STEM forming
 - ii. Professional development meeting being attended
 - iii. St. Hilary won't completely turn into a STEM school, but STEM will be added to what St. Hilary already is
 - iv. Plan is to pick a problem to solve as a school
 1. One big culminating activity at the end of program
 - v. Looking for business partners
 1. Potential corporate partner – Progressive Insurance (Kevin McGrath contact)
- b. Live Shooter Drill – Mrs. Woodman
 - i. Event lasted about 15-20 minutes
 - ii. Custodial staff did a great, realistic job
 - iii. None of the faculty fell for the "tricks" – "HELP me" pleas

- iv. ~25 cardboard kids were used in the drill
 - 1. 5 didn't get "swept" but after action review showed they were "hidden" / hard to see because they weren't real children
- v. Activity was successful in heightening the anxiety level
- vi. Resulted in a better understanding and awareness of doors which should be locked at all times to avoid being "open" during a live shooter
- vii. Came up with a list of items to be reviewed at school staff meeting
- viii. Two drills (lock down) with children in session scheduled
 - 1. Won't have active shooter noises
- c. Heroin / drug awareness
 - i. Former St. Hilary student recently died of drug over dose
 - 1. Not the first St. Hilary graduate to die of drug over dose
 - ii. Moved drug discussion up in the curriculum from late eighth grade to first week in November
 - 1. Included 60 Minutes video and Police Officer visit
 - iii. Discussion on how to best educate parents
 - 1. Reviewed "Hidden in Plain Sight" article
 - a. Bath and Copley police departments – opportunity to contact
 - b. Not just students from "shady" households – can affect any child / household
 - iv. Many children believe they are being loyal by not turning in their friends suspected of drug use
 - 1. Important to point out that a life can be saved if communicated

5. Business Manager's Report – Lou Camerato (absent)

- a. Report deferred to next meeting

6. Marketing Report – Debbie Sinopoli

- a. Kindergarten enrollment looking promising
- b. Scholarship application process being streamlined
 - i. 13 in total to be awarded

7. Parent's Association – Nicolle Swiatkowski

- a. Catholic School Week planning in process

8. Questions / Comments from Attendees

- a. None

9. Closing Prayer

- a. Glory be