

St. Hilary School Board Meeting Minutes



Date:

10-11-2016

Attendees ('X' = present):

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

1. Opening Prayer

2. Welcome

- a. Parish Council and Finance Council reports
 - i. Parish Council attend by Jeff Bisesi and Lou Camerato
 - ii. Finance Council attended by Christine Tracy and Lou Camerato
 1. Budget estimates are in process – draft due in December to be finalized in March

3. Pastor's Report (Deferred – Fr. Steve - Absent)

4. Principal's Report – Mrs. Arnone

- a. Mrs. Arnone provided an update on STEM certification
 - i. Four (4) Professional Development Days required – dates have been set
 - ii. Need to assemble a Governance Board to include business leaders, university connections, STEM career members, etc.
 1. Recommendations of members requested by Mrs. Arnone
 - iii. Curriculum Team to identify what St. Hilary is already actively doing wrt STEM requirements
 - iv. Decision to be made: Will St. Hilary participate in one large problem to be solved for all grades or have multiple individual problems / projects?
 1. Consensus seems to be aligning around a single unifying project – one that links to environmental awareness suggested
 - a. A project centered around the disappearance of honey bees = potential project subject
- b. Mrs. Arnone shared the new "Saber Stories" – video newsletter
 - i. Opportunity for Principal to speak directly with families on timely subjects
 - ii. Opportunity for students to communicate and share with St. Hilary community
 - iii. Planned duration – 3 minutes or less on a biweekly cadence
 - iv. Accessible from homepage and by email
 - v. Initial feedback has been positive
- c. Live Shooter Drill update – Mrs. Woodman – Assistant Principal
 - i. Planned for Friday 10/14
 - ii. Participants: Teachers only with support staff (ie teacher aids)

1. Video training of associates to precede drill
 - a. Video produced by FEMA – workplace shooter scenario
- iii. Gunshot noises will be used to heighten stress levels (PA and iPad speakers)
- iv. “Help me” from hallway test planned to see if doors will remain shut
- v. “Navigate Prepared” App being considered – provides teachers with checklists for emergencies
- vi. Safety plan discussion planned to follow the drill
- vii. Reunification location is Our Lady of the Elms in event of active shooter situation
- viii. St. Hilary uses a modified “Alice” training = last resort to fight back with whatever means are available
- ix. External notification of drill to be posted on outside doors to alert visitors
- x. Results of drill to be shared at next School Board meeting

5. Business Manager’s Report – Lou Camerato

- a. Projections for next year are in process – more to report next month

6. Marketing Report – Debbie Sinopoli

- a. 575 students enrolled
- b. Grand Parents Day was a big success

7. Parent’s Association – Nicolle Swiatkowski

- a. Fall Fest scheduled for Saturday 10/15 – anticipate a good turnout

8. Questions / Comments from Attendees

9. Closing Prayer