

St. Mary's School Board Minutes May 31, 2011

Board President Gene Soukup called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was opened with prayer. Members present included: Merri Schneider, Dorothy Tomjack, Jim Sibbel, Susie Kramer, LuAnn Shields, Principal Mr. Walter Dupre and Father Francis Nigli. Absent: Sharon Spencer, Shad Thompson & Jill Everitt. Jim Sibbel moved to approve the April minutes, Merri Schneider seconded the motion. Motion carried. Merri Schneider moved to approve the May agenda, LuAnn Shields seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor Report

Theology 9-12 Curriculum – The archdiocese is working on a universal system so all Catholic School are studying the same materials. This is new and exciting.

Projects – The Lecture Hall is almost complete except for window coverings and will be ready to go when school begins. Other projects discussed included the Outdoor basketball court, high school gym roof, high school ladies restroom on main floor, boy's locker room, grade school entrance and library, new photo displays for parish center and new crucifix for both gyms. There's lots of work to be done to finish started projects and keep things updated. Also discussed was finding possible donors for stage backdrop curtain and a new marquee out in front of the high school.

Principal Report

There will be an increase in costs for textbooks due to the new Theology in grades 9-12 and the new Reading series in grades 1-6.

Staff positions have been filled for Music, Math, and Elementary Art. We are still waiting to hear on the part-time high school art/shop teacher.

Board members reviewed the changes to the handbook for the 2011-2012 school year. Jim Sibbel made a motion to accept the handbook as amended. LuAnn Shields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Lists of names for school board nominations for the elections in August are to be turned into Father Nigli as soon as possible as elections will be held Aug. 13/14th at mass.

Gene Soukup closed the meeting with prayer. Dorothy Tomjack made a motion to adjourn the meeting and LuAnn Shields seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:48 p.m. **The next meeting will be on August 17, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.**

St. Mary's School Board Minutes April 13, 2011

Board President Gene Soukup called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. The meeting was opened with prayer led by Shad Thompson. Members present included: Jill Everitt, Merri Schneider, Dorothy Tomjack, Shad Thompson, Jim Sibbel, Susie Kramer, Principal Mr. Walter Dupre and Father Francis Nigli. Absent: Sharon Spencer & LuAnn Shields. Merri Schneider moved to approve the March minutes, Dorothy Tomjack seconded the motion. Motion carried. Shad Thompson moved to approve the April agenda, Jim Sibbel seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor Report

Retreat – The freshman and junior retreat went very well.

Finance Council – The council had some concerns with the project list. The gym roof needs to be completed without borrowing money. Fr. Nigli will get in touch with an architect and to get an opinion on the roof needs from someone other than a vendor. A three part campaign will take place starting at Divine Mercy Sunday through Pentecost. It will include: “Raise the Roof” for the gym roof, “Fill the Gap” to cover the gap in the Sunday giving, and “Feed the Sheep” which is the universal archdiocese appeal.

Theology 9-12 Curriculum – The archdiocese is working on a universal system so all Catholic School are studying the same materials.

Projects – The door from the commons to the high school locker area is going to be fixed. Bartek Glass will be installing the door. Mr. Dupre has completed the lecture hall. The electronics will be installed on April 14. St. Mary's has been awarded the True Value Hardware grant which includes 40 gallons of the same color of paint. The deadline for the completion of the painting projects is August 31 and before and after pictures must be done with the grant. The color choice is limited. The painting project needs to be organized and the paint ordered before May 31.

Sharon Spencer arrived at 5:41 p.m.

Principal Report

Raffle – There are 84 tickets left to sell. As you sell tickets, please email Mr. Dupre. The Raffle Committee will meet in the Commons on April 19, at 8 p.m. or following the Passion Play.

Preschool – The parents will have the option to enroll in the 3 or 4 day preschool program. Tuition will be set accordingly.

Kindergarten Roundup – Roundup will be held on Friday, April 15 at 1:00 p.m.

Library Censorship – Once this year a parent questioned a book in the library. Parents can complete a form if they think a book is questionable and can also request that their children not be able to check out certain authors. We will have our librarian research with other Catholic School libraries.

Handbook – The final vote on the handbook will be at the May meeting. Things to look over before the meeting include: mission statement, unexcused and excused absences, foreseen absences, honor roll policies, school-sponsored trips, lunch room conduct, dress code, red polos in grade school, only khaki

pants in high school, and cell phone policy.

AR policy – The current AR policy is that the kids have twenty minutes per day, four days a week to read. Goals will be set accordingly.

New Teachers – An Art and Math teacher have been hired and there is a good prospective Music teacher.

Gene Soukup closed the meeting with prayer. Jim Sibel made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Sharon Spencer seconded. Motion carried. **The next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 30, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.**