

St. Mary's School Board Minutes June 22, 2010

Board president Gene Soukup called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m. The meeting was opened with prayer. Members present included: Susie Kramer, Jill Everitt, Merri Schneider, Gene Soukup, Sharon Spencer, Jim Sibbel, LuAnn Shields, Principal Mr. Walter Dupre and Father Francis Nigli. Absent: Sue Gallagher, Melvin Ohri. Guest: None. Merri Schneider moved to approve the May 2010 school board minutes with the changes submitted by Sharon Spencer, Jim Sibbel seconded, motion passed. Jill Everitt moved to approve the June agenda, Merri Schneider seconded, motion passed.

Pastor's Report

Grade School Gym Floor – There has been a lot of hard work on this project. Father is pleased to see how the people have come together on this large project.

LuAnn Shields arrived at 8:07 p.m.

Alumni Banquet – Project 110 was presented at the banquet. The Alumni were invited to donate to the Grade School Entry Project. Recent graduates of St. Mary's will also be asked to donate as alumni.

Finance Council – The finance council is concerned with the amount of past due tuition. It was advised that a letter be sent to those involved. Next school year the tuition will be required upfront or payment by automatic withdrawals. School parents will also need to have a Sunday giving pledge on file. A PayPal onsite payment system is being researched to allow those interested in paying tuition, donating to Sunday giving or contributing to projects this online option. St. Patrick's has a new director who will also be working on grants for the school. The parish/school budget is due July 1. We are looking for ideas for parish based fundraisers.

St. Mary's Feast Day – We will celebrate St. Mary's feast day on December 8, Immaculate Conception.

Outreach – A committee will be formed to visit prospective St. Mary's families as a part of outreach. It would be ideal to have a group made up of a few school board members, parents, and some school staff. This would be a grass roots recruiting/greeting committee.

School Board Elections – please call the Parish Center with names of people who would be willing to run for school board.

New Business

Summer Projects – The gym floor is underway, the high school computer lab is being revamped with 20 new-to-us computers, the grade school basement has been organized, the lecture hall project is coming along, the lights are coming in and will be installed, and the high school gym roof has had a coating done.

Handbook – Luann Shields made a motion to approve the 2010-11 School Handbook and Merri Schneider seconded. Motion passed.

Jim Sibbel made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Jill Everitt seconded, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m. **The next meeting of the school board with election of officers will be August 18, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.**