

Holy Rosary School Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 29, 2012

Attendance:

Persons Attending: Michael Cantu, Mary Simpson, Sherri Chun, Ann Summers, Ann Martin, Mary Jo McFaul, Conrad Smucker, Patrick Kennedy, John Vair, Curie Baker, Julie Campbell, Amy Huber, Mike Hooks

Minutes Approved. Minutes were approved from the School Commission meetings on February 2, 2012 and March 1, 2012.

Principal's Update. Principal Cantu provided an update on the following issues:

- (a) Registration packets had been sent for school year 2012 – 13. Mr. Cantu expects the school to meet or exceed 481 students next school year. The budget for 2012-13 projects 481 students.
- (b) The 2012 – 13 Academic Calendar is being prepared. Discussion whether to give a half-day or full-day as reward for meeting magazine sales drive goal. Some parents have objected to this reward because of conflicts with parents' work schedules. Next year, February 15, 2013 is the date currently scheduled as the reward day. The Academic Calendar had been developed with the assumption 2/15/13 would be a day off. The School Administration had decided that for the next school year, it will plan for a possible day off as a reward but this issue may be revisited for future years.
- (c) The teachers and administration had an in-service day where they worked on curriculum activities.

Committee Updates.

- (a) Art Literacy. The committee intends to meet with teachers to incorporate the program into the classrooms.
- (b) Catholic Identity. The committee has revised relevant sections of the website and is continuing to meet.
- (c) Finance. The Parish Finance Committee is preparing a 5-year budget plan. As part of that plan, the Parish Finance Committee has asked the school to look at expected costs over the next five years. The School Commission is trying to identify out-of-the-ordinary costs and projects at the school during that period. This will be an ongoing review.
- (d) Lego Robotics. 60 students have expressed interest in a Lego Robotics team starting in the Fall. Three parents have offered to help. More parent volunteers are needed.

(e) Buildings and Grounds. Estimates are being obtained to paint Lanigan gym.

A discussion was held on the options available for use of the funds donated at last year's auction for landscaping in the front of the school. Last year, the school raised \$13,255 for the walkway and landscaping. We have obtained a number of bids for the project, and those bids indicated that the available funds are insufficient to replace most of the existing sidewalk in the front of the school or to create collective or "plaza" areas in the front of the school. Additional information needed from one of the bidders.

(f) School Commission Membership. The School Commission will have three openings for at-large members starting in the 2012-13 school year. A Membership Committee was formed to meet with Fr. John and Mr. Cantu. Those on the Membership Committee are Patrick Kennedy, Amy Huber and Ann Summers.

Parent Survey. There was a discussion of the results of the Parent Survey. It was agreed that a separate, shorter survey dedicated to questions regarding the BASE program will be sent to Parents in the Fall of 2012.

Meeting Adjourned.