

Holy Rosary School Commission Minutes

Thursday, October 3, 2013

6:00 p.m.

Attendance:

Members attending: Father John Madigan, George Hofbauer, Ted Mohrbacher, Mary Simpson, Cindy Wingo, Tracy Honner, Ann Summers, Mike Hooks, Terry Burns, Robert Chang, Brett Conway, Chris Henggeler, Amy Huber, Mike Hooks, Conrad Smucker, Ken Tews, Maritherease Thomas, Christine Tobin-Presser, John Vair

Members absent: none

The Commission approved the draft minutes for the 9/12/13 meeting with the inclusion of the approved motion to support the process of review and consideration set forth in George Hofbauer's White Paper.

Pastor's report:

Father John discussed some of his thoughts on the book, Rebuilt, that he has requested that Commission members read. Commission members shared some of their thoughts on the book's applicability to Holy Rosary Parish. Hypothetical changes to the method of charitable giving currently encompassed in the second collection were discussed.

Principal's report:

George Hofbauer noted that the school's theme, Beacons of Light, has been successful thus far, with students embracing the concept. Mr. Hofbauer discussed the continued robust response and communication surrounding the White Paper and led the Commission through a number of data compilations relating to the financial recommendations in the White Paper.

Parish Financial Report:

Mary Simpson walked the Commission through the Parish year-end financial information and responded to questions from Commission members including questions with regard to variances in budget to actual performance and the nature of restricted funds. As part of the discussion, John Vair, Commission Finance Committee Chair, discussed the overall process relating to the creation of the budget.

Curriculum Report:

Ted Mohrbacher presented the Commission with information regarding the positive influence of the School's various field trips. Mr. Mohrbacher then presented the data with respect to the cost of annual field trips per student and per grade, as compared with actual costs. The data indicated that the amount

requested and collected from parents toward field trips is significantly less than the actual cost of the field trips.

Fundraising Results Report:

Commission President, Ann Summers, provided information with respect to the Centennial Gala, Westfest and Golf Tournament fundraising efforts. From the tickets purchased to date, it appears that the Centennial Gala will produce a profit. While significant volunteer hours were cut from Westfest, the event generated a greater profit than the 2012 event. Analysis of the results of the Golf Tournament will be forthcoming.

The Commission duly passed the motion to seek a parent representative with a law enforcement background to serve on the School Safety Committee. Ann Summers indicated that she would have an appropriate announcement placed in the EFC.

Motion to postpone discussion on whether to amend the bylaws to make all Commission meetings open was duly passed.

The Commission was informed that Mr. Hofbauer has appointed an Executive Committee consisting of Ann Summers (Commission President), John Vair (Commission Finance Committee Chair) and Parents Club President, Cindy Wingo. The purpose of the Executive Committee is to ensure that decisions that otherwise would be considered by the Commission, but that cannot await the next Commission Meeting, can be timely made and implemented. Such decisions would be subject to being overruled by the Commission at the next scheduled Commission meeting.

A number of Commission members indicated that they would be available to assist with the reception following the October 26, 2013 Mass celebrating the Dominican Sisters.

The Commission discussed the appropriate location for the November 7, 2013 open Commission meeting preceding the Commission vote on various White Paper recommendations. Due to the expected significant attendance, the Commission determined it may be appropriate to hold the meeting in the School hall. In connection with this discussion, Cindy Wingo verbally summarized the results of the White Paper survey completed by approximately two hundred individuals, as well as the visual survey undertaken at the September 26, 2013 Parents Club Meeting.

Meeting adjourned between 9:00 and 9:30 p.m.