



Providence Catholic School Education Committee
December Meeting Minutes
Meeting Held on December 1st, 2009
7:00 PM @ West Campus

Attendance:

Todd Meyers, Steve Reiter, Eric Holmes, Roy Christensen, Lori Weis, Ryan Buchberger, Mary Sue Lux, Ruth Danner, Donna Stevens and Sister KD

Absent:

Ray Gromacki, Pastor Designate

Pastor's Comments:

- Fr. Jim Vojtik's term has ended and he will no longer be with us.

Principal's Comments:

- An anti-bullying form has been created for the west campus.
- The Patrick Noonan scholarship fund application has been created and will allow students to apply for additional funds
- You can now follow Providence on Twitter.

Old Business

- September meeting minutes
The minutes were reviewed and a motion to accept was made by Eric Holmes and seconded by Ryan Buchberger with minor changes. The motion carried and the minutes were approved.
- Daycare agreement with SJB: w
We are currently waiting for the parish council to review and approve their draft for both the school and daycare.
- Review long range plans and goals
This is still a work in progress; Roy will collect ideas from Donna and have a draft available for the January meeting.
- Discipline policy update:
A meeting was asked to be called involving three to five families. Some families expressed concern with the policy and would like to see more follow-through with all involved.
A west campus community meeting was held. At this meeting other concerns were identified, such as lack of consistency with the policy. It was some parent's opinion that the environment at the west campus has changed. It was also recognized that the absence of a pastor has not made things easier.
- Time and talent
Mary Sue would like something printed in the Providence Post instructing parents on the service hours so she's able to log them properly. Also, once parents have completed their service hours there is no need to continue to report additional

hours.

- New member update
Todd has been in contact with two individuals that may be interested in serving on the committee. He will reach out to them again in hopes of getting on board in January.
- Election of new Secretary
Ryan Buchberger nominated Roy Christensen, Steve Reiter seconded, Roy accepted.

New Business

- Report on Catholic Schools Week
Catholic Schools Week will be kicked off with a mass on Sunday, January 31st with a reception and the book fair to follow. During school the children will participate in stuff the bus, a science fair, career day, an all school mass, the book fair, guest entertainment and the preschool kids will be making bookmarks.
- Budget / salaries / tuition discussion
The decrease in enrolment is a concern
The preschool continues to exceed budget projections
Outstanding tuition at both the school and preschool remains higher than desired
We need to reinforce with the parents the importance of fundraising

Team Report

- Signage
Nothing to report
- Marketing
Scott is working on the details to make the Bingo event a reality. The plan is to hold two events initially, one on February 6th and the second on February 20th. These events are going to be held at the west campus.
- Home & School
Dayna Quast was not in attendance
- Athletics update
The boy's basketball season has started and the invitations for the January 29-31 tournament have been sent out.
Ryan also was notified by the archdiocese that fourth graders are not allowed to play.
- Technologies update
A parent has donated a new server and it is ready to be installed
A clean-up of the east campus computers is underway with the west campus to follow.
Ryan thanked Jim Kayler for his countless hours and dedication to the technology upgrades.
- Supporting Parishes
Sister KD suggested that school special events and updated on student projects be posted in the bulletin. She also stated that the parish council should learn more concerning a pastoral assignment in the coming weeks.
Ruth shared the constitution but had no other news
The entire EC expressed its thanks to SRB for their support with the calendar raffle.

Community Comments

- None

Closing prayer was led by Eric Holmes

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm.