

St. Francis of Assisi Board of Education Meeting

3.10.16

In Attendance: Mike Waller, Lou Flori, Chris Jenkins, Stacey Dorsey, Lori Haigh, Maureen Berger, Michelle Foth, Bill Pierson

Administrators: Father Ray McHenry, Misty Hade, Jennifer Raes, Tammy Myers, Christen Cota, Deacon Bill Richer

Pastoral Council Liaison: Chris Doud

Guests: Sarah Drey, Assistant Director of Religious Education

Call to Order – at 6:34 PM by Mike Waller

Prayer – Bill Pierson

Approval of Agenda – A motion was made by Bill Pierson and seconded by Lou Flori to approve the agenda. All in favor/none opposed. Agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes – completed electronically

Pastor's Report – *Fr. Ray*

- Our assessment for the Annual Diocesan Appeal is \$303,000. This is a 4% increase from last year.
- Deacon Bill is going to transition from Youth Minister to Pastoral Deacon. We will be hiring a new Youth Minister, and a job description is being created. This will be effective after the summer mission trip to Panorama.

Chairperson Report – *Mike Waller*

- After the discernment process, there are three new members joining the Board of Education: Todd Richard, Dan McCoy, and Nicole Saegh.

Day School – *Misty Hade/Jennifer Raes*

- The report was submitted electronically.
- Two SFA Staff members, Carol Gaul and Tammy Meyers, were awarded the Golden Apple Award.
- Many SFA students have been recognized for academics recently, including State Geography Bee and the KC Spelling Bee.

- A concern was raised regarding maternity leave for teachers expecting babies in the spring or summer months and when the FMLA leave begins. The policy will be reviewed and updated.
- FACTS Tuition Management System was discussed again at the Administrator meeting. If families have students at two buildings, they would be paying \$80+ in fees to use the system. BOE members expressed concerns with this system. This issue will be discussed at the next Diocesan School Board meeting on March 21st at 4:30 PM at the Pastoral Center in the St. Pius Room. A letter will be sent voicing SFA's objections and a representative will attend the meeting.
- The Bishop has asked schools to send as many students as possible to visit the local Holy Doors. This will be a joint Day School-RE family activity in the fall.

Preschool – *Tammy Myers*

- The report was submitted electronically.
- 89 of the 92 preschool spots are reserved with non-refundable registration fees for next year.

RE – *Christen Cota*

- The report was submitted electronically.
- A new curriculum for 7th and 8th grade students, called EDGE, is being proposed. The goal is to change the format of the middle school RE program to a non-classroom, youth group model. Day school middle school students will be invited to attend.
- RE staff are exploring the addition of 15 minutes to the RE sessions to allow time for the curriculum and special events.
- Instead of a late fee for registration, RE will be offering an Early Bird special price.

Youth Ministry – *Deacon Bill Richer*

- The report was submitted electronically.
- Faith in Action, Confirmation, and registration are coming up.

Building and Grounds – *Jim Hoyt*

- No report.

Finance – *Lou Flori/Lynn Ricke*

- The report was submitted electronically.
- The Finance Committee has finished budgeting for next year, and the budget has been submitted to the Pastoral Council for approval.

Home and School – *Stacey Dorsey*

- The report was submitted electronically.
- Special funding of \$2025 for track equipment was approved. Questions were raised at the Home and School meeting regarding the amount of money available for special projects such as this.
- New officers are being selected.

SIAC – *Lori Haigh*

- No report.

PPAC – *Stephanie Drey*

- The report was submitted electronically.

Pastoral Council – *Chris Doud*

- Through discernment, five members were added to the Pastoral Council: Garrett Hill, Larry Johnson, Molly Meyers, Gary Goodall, and Nikki Snyder. Some members of the Pastoral Council will become members of the Faith Formation Committee in the future, thus the reason for adding more members than the Council is losing.
- Additional funds and staff time will be dedicated to the Catholics Come Home initiative.

Old Business

- None.

New Business

- A motion was made by Bill Pierson and seconded by Lou Flori to approve the new EDGE Youth Ministry program for 7th and 8th grade students with a fee of \$118 per participant. All in favor/none opposed. Motion approved.
- A motion was made by Stacey Dorsey and seconded by Michelle Foth to approve the proposed Day School calendar. All in favor/none approved.

Executive Session

A motion was made at 9:31 PM by Bill Pierson and seconded by Lori Haigh to enter Executive Session. All in favor/none opposed. Motion approved.

A motion was made at 9:54 PM by Stacey Dorsey and seconded by Michelle Foth to exit Executive Session. All in favor/none opposed. Motion approved.

A motion was made by Chris Jenkins and seconded by Lori Haigh to approve the recommendations for teacher contracts as presented for the 2016-2017 school year. All in favor/none opposed. Motion approved.

Closing Comments/Good of the Order

None.

A motion to adjourn was made by Bill Pierson and seconded by Lori Haigh. All in favor/none opposed. Meeting adjourned at 9:58 PM.