

SKDS School Board Meeting

February 20, 2018

Attendees: Jill Kaufmann, Deb Hankes, Jennifer Wendorf, Jennifer Crombie, Barb Haase, Jennifer Nampel, Greg Steil (Pastoral Council Liaison), Angela Davis, Tricia Cargen, Fr. Mike, Tracey Gundert

Meeting called to order at 7:04pm.

Introduction of Guests/Guest Topics: None

Review and Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve by Greg Steil and seconded by Jennifer Nampel.

Correspondence / Audience Comments / Eyes and Ears:

Questions received from parents:

- 1st Aid training: completed every two years along with CPR for teachers/staff.
- Question from a parent regarding students being allowed to wear Scout uniforms. There is a concern that Scout and SKDS sport jerseys are not up to the wear and tear of a normal school day. In the past if a coach/advisor has asked if the students can wear a non-uniform shirt, it has not been denied.
- Assignment Notebook: 4th and 5th graders are taught how to use this (daily format) and are checked by their teacher every day. Upper grades (weekly format) are not checked every day by teachers at this age unless other arrangements have been made. At this age, students are expected to be more independent learners. Sometimes accommodations and interventions are made for the individual and the planner is checked for that purpose.
- Lunch portions: SKDS follows the DPI guidelines. There are different portions based on grade level. Menu planning is based on a week. Students are allowed one main entrée and as many fruits/veggies as wanted.

The Lumen Spelling Bee was held in West Bend on February 20. Megan Tyranski (7th grade) and Gael Balleza-Calvo (6th grade) represented SKDS. Gael took 2nd place and received a trophy!

5 Stones Human Trafficking Presentation was unfortunately canceled due to bad weather. The student presentation for 6th, 7th and 8th grade is still happening as scheduled. The adult presentation will need to be rescheduled.

Administrator's Update:

- Registration Round Ups: The kindergarten round up was last week Thursday, February 15. We normally do not have a huge turn-out for these. Pre-school, 4K and kindergarten are very fluid numbers at this point in the year and we won't have a definite numbers until this summer. The pre-school round up is next week Thursday, March 1.
- New SKDS Website: Ms. Haase and Judy Wilson spent many hours on getting the new website up and running. We went with the same format as the parish website; we received a cost-effective deal. An anonymous donor paid for the set up. We have received many positive comments. The new website has a vast amount of relevant, useful content.
- Choice Program: The application process started February 1 and ends on April 20. Currently we have 5 families who have applied; 3 of those are returning families and 2 are new families. We will receive \$7747.00 for each student for the upcoming year. This year it was \$7723.00 per student.

- Lent: There are lots of activities going on. A list of activities per grade was in the last newsletter. Activities are different based on the grade level. If you have questions, please see your child's teacher. Stations of the Cross are led by the fourth through eighth grades after every Friday Mass. 8th graders planned and led the Ash Wednesday Mass and did a great job.
- Budget for 2018-2019: The budgeting process has begun for the 2018-2019 school year. Looking at current number of students and projecting that forward. Preschool/4K/5K are very fluid. 154 students for K-8; add 4K and preschool = 197 school wide (best estimate at this time). Do not know what the tuition increase will be yet. Until the finance council meets, we will not know.
- Arnold Reading Clinic: Al Arnold, founder and director of the reading clinic, visited school on Friday. He works with children who have dyslexia and short-term memory issues. He has over four decades of experience as a teacher, principal and instructor in programs for certifying reading teachers and reading specialist. SKDS Reading Resource, Jackie Lockwood, will be trained and actually working with the Arnold Reading Clinic on how to administer this process. We have to move with baby steps to make sure it works for everyone. Testing to see what our kids needs are and then using this system.

Activities/Events Coming Up: Lent activities

Pastor's Report:

- Church renovation funding project is going very well. "Thermometers" have gone up by the doors of church; we are already at the 1/3 mark. Kathy and Greg Armstrong have been engaging the young people to participate with the funding project. Our SKDS Builder's Club is helping out with its own fundraising project.

Scrip Committee: N/A

Finance: Working on new Budget for 2018/2019.

Advancement: N/A

Glitz: N/A

Parish Council Report: N/A

Old Business/New Business:

A motion to adjourn was made by Jennifer Nampel at 8:22pm and seconded by Jennifer Wendorf.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2018 at 7:00pm.