

St. Gregory the Great Parish School

School Commission Meeting Minutes

August 18, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.

Attendance

Members Present: Amy Schlegel, John Farney, Joey Kovnesky, Jeff Senn, MaryWejrowski

Members Excused: Michael Hafemann, Beth O'Connor

1. Prayer

Led by Amy Schlegel

2. June Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the June School Commission meeting were distributed, reviewed, and approved.

3. School Commission Membership

No new members have been added thus far.

John has received no replies for advertisements to join the School Commission

Members and Amy shared brief introductions to get re-acquainted.

4. Principal's Report

Back to School Night

We are in good shape for the planning of Back to School Night. Amy is looking to have School Commission members volunteer to greet new families.

Powerschool

The Archdiocese is continuing the transition to Powerschool. The office is in the transition process and will be running soon.

Enrollment/Staffing

Amy distributed current enrollment numbers with a total enrollment of 274. Many classes are full or close to capacity. Amy will begin to investigate how to deal with high enrollment in certain grades for the future.

Four instructional aides have been budgeted; they will work in early childhood, grade 1, grade 2, and grade 7.

Linda Sokup (Grade 7) and Loreve Rucka (Instructional Aide) have resigned.

Some teachers have moved grade levels/classrooms to fill vacant positions. Teachers in new positions include: Linda Gyax (K4→Grade 3), Lisa Bayer (Grade 3→Grade 5), Julie Sostre (Instructional Aide→Grade 7), & Jennifer Herkowski (Grade 5→Grade 8).

Michelle Zampino has been hired as the new music specialist. Betty Sobush will serve as the librarian in addition to facilitating the K3 Discovery sessions.

Bookends, headed by Alice Erlandson, is moved into its new space in the former K3 room and is ready to open.

Policies

Amy has made no changes to the parent/student handbook.

The official instructional time will be 8:15-3:10. The tardy bell will ring at 8:00 and breakfast will be served from 8:00-8:15

5. Seton Catholic Schools

Amy shared information regarding Seton Catholic Schools, the Archdiocese's plan to create a school system among the urban Catholic schools in Milwaukee.

This initiative is still in the early phases and more information will be available at later times.

6. STEM Program

Amy shared that a parent wishes to establish an after-school STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics) program for grades five and six to supplement their science curriculum.

Meeting adjourned 7:31 p.m.

Next meeting Tuesday, September 15, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joey Kovnesky
School Commission Secretary

Tentative 2015-2016 Meeting Schedule

All meetings are tentatively at 6:00 p.m. in the Great Room

- ~~Tuesday, August 18, 2015~~
- Tuesday, September 15, 2015
- Tuesday, October 20, 2015
- Tuesday, November 17, 2015
- *No December Meeting*
- Tuesday, January 19, 2016
- Tuesday, February 16, 2016
- Tuesday, March 15, 2016
- Tuesday, April 19, 2016
- Tuesday, May 17, 2016
- Tuesday, June 21, 2016