

St. Gregory the Great Parish School

School Commission Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.

Attendance

Members Present: Amy Schlegel, John Farney, Jeff Senn, Mary Wejrowski, Beth O'Connor

Members Excused: Michael Hafemann, Joey Kovnesky

1. Prayer

Led by Mary Wejrowski

2. August Meeting Minutes

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

3. School Commission Membership

No new members have been added thus far. Amy, John, and Mary have had recent discussions with prospective parents. All intend to follow-up in order to determine interest.

4. Principal's Report/Open Discussion

Spaghetti Dinner

A volunteer has been identified to chair the Spaghetti Dinner. We will be looking for Room Parents for each grade to put together raffle baskets.

Formative Update

Amy is implementing a strategy to provide and maintain curriculum consistency throughout the grades. More staff training and meetings will be provided.

Student Testing

MAP testing will begin September 17 and be complete by October 9. Additional third through eighth grade student testing of social studies and math will be conducted in the Spring.

Enrollment/Staffing

Amy distributed current enrollment numbers with a total enrollment of 270. With the exception of K3, many classes are full or close to capacity. Only one 3K student was enrolled in the K3 program. As of right now, the program will be cancelled unless additional students enroll. This may be an opportunity for a marketing initiative.

Soles for Education

The walk is scheduled for October 17th. Consistent with previous years, a portion of the donations raised by each student will be used to reduce that student's tuition. Students participating in School Choice can donate their sponsorship allocation to Tuition Angels.

Best Practices in Annual Funds

Amy received materials from a previous conference. John will review the materials.

International Visitor

Father Feliciano Mendez from our sister parish in the Dominican Republic visited the school. Students had the opportunity to talk with him about his parish and home country.

Teacher/Staff Participation in School Commission Meetings

It was mutually agreed that teacher and staff participation in meetings would be requested on an as needed basis and would be dependent on the planned topics of discussion.

SIS – Power School Update

Staff will participate in Power School training in September. Additional topics of discussion during training will be to normalize expectations for grading and what should and shouldn't count towards grades with the goal of providing feedback at regular intervals in order to help students' progression. A tentative presentation to Home and School is scheduled for October 12th.

Seton Catholic Schools

Father Tom's and Amy's goal is to postpone participation in the program until after the first phase of development.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Next meeting Tuesday, October 20, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Senn

School Commission Member

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