



Mother of Good Counsel School

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School Committee Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2023 (virtual/Google Meets)

School Committee Members Present:

Rachel Johnston

Luke Feudner

Dan Scholz

Erica Byfield

Joanne Schwartz

March meeting minutes were approved and are posted on line (MGC School News Page).

We began with the Our Father.

Parish Update: Fr. Reed sent his notes as he was out of town.

- Pastoral Council is recommending we look at campus security – ponder a fence, seek guidance from the Archdiocese and our insurance company, looking for a safety site assessment
- The May Crowning will take place during a school Mass
- Flyers for school registration were distributed after the noon mass three weeks ago

Rachel Johnston gave an update on the school:

- Uniform policy – Parents wanted to discuss hair regulations. Parents did not show up
- Enrollment for next year has begun. We have many returning families and some new ones. Currently at 143 for next year already.
- Budget was discussed. There are four different budgets depending upon enrollment numbers. Each budget would create different scenarios regarding staff, funding, and spending. Textbooks are huge expenditure.
- Marketing plans to increase enrollment were discussed. Flyers, postcards, church bulletin, Facebook, Concert on the Green, and enrolling in Wisconsin Choice were discussed. We encourage all to come up with other ways to showcase MGC. We need a plan for long-term security.
- May Crowning will be during the May 18 mass.
- Graduation is June 10
- Summer School program enrollment is progressing
- ECP's new director Mrs. Paula Payne is a wonderful addition to the staff

Erica Byfield gave an update on Athletics:

- Looking to put a "Coaching Corner" in the Bulletin with schedules, scores and updates next school year
- The board is looking for ways to get parents to get involved with the programs
- Soccer will be offered to students in K5 - 4th grade, Basketball is for students 5th – 8th grade and we are also looking at volleyball.

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Serving, learning, loving, and living lives of integrity as Christ did.*

- Information for sports needs to be turned in to the Archdiocese by July 1st.
- Looking into a summer strengthening program
- Discussing having the Jr. Popes rent the gym for their practices

Open Discussion

- Safety Plan will be presented at the next School Committee Meeting
- Continue to encourage those attending the noon mass on Sunday to enroll in the school – ask for Fr. Reed's encouragement at masses