



Mother of Good Counsel School

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School Committee Meeting Minutes
September 12, 2023 (virtual/Google Meets)

School Committee Members Present:

Rachel Johnston

Fr. Reed

Erica Byfield

Luke Feudner

Dan Scholz

Joanne Schwartz

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

Meeting began with a prayer by Rachel Johnston

Parish Update: Fr. Reed

- Picnic and mass were a huge success, a celebration of one community
- MGC has two missionaries that will be going out into the neighborhood
- MGC has a Transitional Deacon – he is transitioning into the priesthood and will be ordained soon – maybe in the summer
- Fr. Reed will be moving into the Francis Jordan House (formerly Cady's Kids)
- Fr. Reed is loving teaching the middle school religion class one day a week

School Update: Rachel Johnston

- Third Friday count date is this Friday, September 15. We are planning an MGC Super Spirit Day with fun activities to encourage attendance. We have 183 enrolled as of today
- Year is off to a strong start
- Continuing to gather data through benchmark testing and Star testing (Reading and Math). We are also looking at Forward testing results from last spring.
- New third grade teacher – Mrs. Sarah Talley, new music teacher – Mr. Mark Schuh, new middle school math teacher – Mr. Teddy Flunker
- Still looking for educational aides for some of the kindergarten classes
- Title services are provided for K5-4rh grade – mostly for math, some reading
- Accelerated Reader program will be closely monitored to help increase literacy
- Looking for ideas to help increase parental involvement
- COVID is on the rise. We will follow the health department guidelines. The use of air purifiers is being encouraged. If we have to go virtual we will use Google Classroom

Athletics: Erica Byfield

- There is one second grade soccer team and eighth grade volleyball team
- If students want to play basketball, parents must be involved
- Learning about sportsmanship is one of the main goals we have for our students
- Looking at new uniforms with the MGC logo on them

*Mother of Good Counsel School is an inclusive urban community committed to:
Serving, learning, loving, and living lives of integrity as Christ did.*

Open Discussion:

- Ways to promote MGC and increase enrollment
 - Enderis Park – Concert on the Green
 - Flyers/mailers – maybe sent out at a different time
 - Advertise – Mayfair Mall, bill boards
- Increase family involvement
 - Class/grade activities
 - Veteran families mentor new families