

St. Gregory School Board

September 1, 2011

Meeting Minutes

The meeting began at 5 p.m.

Introductions

The board, principal and pastor introduced themselves.

Principal's Report

Mr. Dooher distributed the July-August budget vs. actuals; he will provide one for every meeting.

Discussion about guidelines for fundraisers

Can we do more? – identify the funds focus, such as tuition assistance and a capital fund; discussion about setting up an endowment

Mr. Dooher will conduct a feasibility study for Spanish Language classes next year.

A discussion about fund-raisers ensued. Father said to focus on two or three key events.

In October, Annette Brown, CFO of Diocese, will come to talk about a creating a strategic five year plan.

Moved to a block schedule in the Junior High grades.

Donna Bruno began the music program today, which will be once a week. 30 minutes for music and 30 minutes for art.

Ipad training has started with Google docs. Entire school will be using them.

Pastor report – The Pastor knew Tom from school board; he will be around and accessible. Very security conscious and believes safety is number one. A safety discussion ensued. Randy Bickel suggested someone be designated to answer the school phone in the a.m. during the start of school.

Lisa Asaparti asked why the first week has an early schedule. Friday is early because of the day after back to school night.

A question was asked about a daily schedule/assignment email (powerschool?).

Parent's Association report – Winter event and book fair are being planned; back to school night is coming up; have five open meetings scheduled but may reduce that to make them higher impact (more meaningful topics; educational seminars)

Two initiatives: 1) communication; minimizing redundant hand-off of information 2) extra-curricular activities that are not focused on sports (lego, chess, science)

Escrip numbers were passed out; monthly numbers are increasing. Will have a more in-depth escrip discussion next time.

The meeting concluded at 6:15 p.m. to allow everyone to go to back to school night.

Submitted by,

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Secretary