

## School Board Meeting Minutes 10/07/2010

### In Attendance:

Principal Lorraine Paul  
Bishop McElroy  
Father Mark  
Mike Pearl  
Mike Callagy  
Ron Rock  
Alan Priest  
Carole Lozito  
Donna DeBenedetti  
Kristen Besse  
Tom Finn  
Jodi DeMauro  
Frank Marinaro  
Gennine Harrington  
Cindy Stuart  
Sandy Brooks

### Principal's Report

Iowa testing went well and the school will receive the results in November. The Kindergarten fence is almost complete and there was enough money left over to purchase tetherballs.

The fundraiser from Target is discontinued. All monies received from businesses must be passive in nature.

The Halloween carnival will be the same as the past years with it being run by the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

### Pastor Report

Bishop McElroy presented the ring he received from St Gregory School and it was passed around the table.

Bishop McElroy expects to be pastor at St Gregory's until 07/01/2011

The economy is still very bad for some families and school is absorbing more tuition assistance. The Bishop is contemplating that the proceeds from the upcoming auction cover financial aid. The money diverted to financial aid not to exceed 33 1/3%. There was some discussion of the amount of money the auction was expected to generate.

The 2008 auction netted \$40,000  
The 2006 auction netted \$60,000

The majority of the money netted from the 2010 auction (remaining 66 2/3%) is slated for smart boards for classrooms that do not have them and for 1-to-1 computing for the students.

More discussion on clarifying the goals of the auction for greater involvement.

### School Music Update- Gennine Harrington

Music program will be contained in the classroom with a 4 theme program.

- 1) Dynamics of Music  
CDs and lessons
- 2) American Heritage songs  
Christmas music
- 3) Culture Appreciation  
More Diversity with music
- 4) Genres of Music  
Classical, Country, Rock etc...

The goal is to expose the students to different aspects of music.

### Technology Update

Ipad update- Pilarica is looking into wireless access and increasing bandwidth and converting from AT&T to Comcast. She is looking into a one on one tech concept with an Ipad or Notebook to be funded by auction proceeds.

The focal for teachers and technology is Michelle Garibaldi, who is currently on maternity leave, but does attend meetings when possible.

Discussion was brought up about the teachers not being involved in testing technology and the need for additional professional development in association with new technology for teachers.

No target date was mentioned.

### Escrip Update

After much discussion a motion was put forward by Mike Pearl and approved by a majority of members to move forward on the Escrip tuition rebate program. The top of exposure was \$2,000 in possible lost revenue from Escrip rebates.

The 5 year plan in conjunction with the Escrip is to involve more families and the registration of friends and acquaintances.

Only the Safeway card expires in 1 year and must be renewed.

#### Parents Association Update

Good attendance at Parents Association meeting. There is a lack of parent knowledge on conflict resolution. Request to have the head parents in each class attend the Parents Association meeting. Upcoming seminar on overcoming bullying.

#### Closing Prayer

**GO GIANTS!!!!!!!!!!**

Respectfully submitted by Carole Lozito