

St. Anthony's School Board  
Advisory Board of Education  
Minutes January 21st, 2010

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm.

*Members Present:* Msgr. Rob, Mr. McConnico, Michael DerManuel, Eddie Fannuchi, Deb Martin, Kathryn McDougal, , Tamara Chapman, Zetta Hadden, Jennifer O'Brien, Mr. Neumier

*Members Absent:* Cristina Galang

Guest: Dan Kemble

**1. Call to Order/Opening Prayer led by: Msgr. Rob**

- 1.1. November Minutes approved with minimum corrections for PTO.
- 1.2. October approved. Tim will post to Website
- 1.3. No Audience discussion
- 1.4. Modify/NO CHANGES
- 1.5. Next Meeting February 18<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm.

**2. Old Business**

2.1 Math Curriculum Update: In-service was held for teachers to learn new curriculum, math was used to help memorization of math problems. It will take some time for teachers to get comfortable with the new program. Mike asked if they had more supportive materials from last year. Looking at more hands on material to help students. Mike stated that he has received more positive feedback from parents regarding the math curriculum. The board offered their comments stating that conversations with parents have been positive also, and that Math has been done daily and homework to support.

2.2. Concerns with 7<sup>th</sup> grade math. Mike said issues with kids were focused on accelerated math. Inquired that administration take a look at issue. Mr. McConnico stated that this had been addressed and they are working with teachers to restructure the program. Changes were made and implemented. Mr. McConnico stated that the curriculum in the beginning was confusing but the issue has been addressed. He stated there was some miscommunication and that is where some of the concerns and problems were. Mr. McConnico is considering introducing accelerated math in the lower grades.

2.3 Michael stated that the Math Curriculum will be a standing agenda item.

### **3. Representation Reports**

#### **3.1. Church Report (Msgr. Rob Wenzinger)**

Everything going well. Did confessions for 3-8<sup>th</sup> graders. First Reconciliation will take place February 10<sup>th</sup>. Dan Kemble asked about the Swine Flu and how it's affecting the church. Msgr. Rob replied that until Bishop gives the clear they will continue to enforce his rules.

#### **3.2. PTO Report (Tamara Chapman)**

January 14<sup>th</sup> had an evening meeting. Final numbers for Golf was \$34,405. Had a great showing.

##### Up Coming PTO Events:

Italian Dinner will be held Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup>. It will be an all day event from 10:00- 8 pm. Hosted by Colleen Santeufemia, and Nikki DiCicco.

Father Daughter Dance/Mother Son Dance. Deserie Ward will be in charge.

Spring Auction is set for May 15<sup>th</sup>. In the process of getting volunteers. Still not sure of location. But the desire to keep at Community Center is well received.

Grizzlies Night is April 30<sup>th</sup>, and Mr. McConnico is coordinating.

In Service/Guest: Mrs. Gennock talked about the Little Saints Program. Gave us a review of how it started and how much it has grown. Discussed some of the programs they are involved with.

#### **3.3 Principals Report (Mr. McConnico):**

Mr. McConnico started off by thanking the PTO and School Board for all of their support they give to the school, faculty and staff.

Christmas program was well received. All 3 programs did extremely well. Had good support from parents. All 3 nights were standing room only.

Mr. McConnico discussed looking into adopting new text books for Language Arts program. Public schools not budgeted for any new text books. Faculty will discuss in May and look into new text books.

##### Catholic Schools:

Very well organized. Started off the week with the talent show. A lot of great talent. Also had two students read at the mass and invited all parish members to join us for Open House.

##### Upcoming Items:

For Ash Wednesday the parking lot will be full due to the 8:00 am mass. We will hold our own mass in the community center at 9:15 for safety issues.

Grizzlies Night is April 30<sup>th</sup>. Will have our own Choir sing the national anthem.

Starting next Thursday one of the electives offered will be Raider Radio. We will have our own station 98.5 that the parents can tune into and listen while there in the parking lot. Will have several different announcements.

ITBS TEST RESULTS: We were given a handout of the test results. Results will be shared with PTO and posted to school website.

#### **4. Committee Reports**

##### **4.1 Financial Report: (Tom Neumeier & Eddie Fanucchi)**

Net surplus running ahead. Net basis looks outstanding. Cash on hand is earmarked for Liabilities.

There was no discussion or issues with Financial Report.

##### **4.2 Facilities Committee Report: (Zetta Hadden & Tom Neumeier)**

They are still working on the budget to remodel the kitchen. Start date has not been set for the project.

##### **4.3. Public Relations Committee: (Cristina Galang Villegas)**

School Mottos selection had over 50% participation from SAS families. The New Motto revealed, “Where Faith & Learning Grow Hand In Hand”. It was approved by Msgr. Rob and school board members. Jennifer O’Brien said the committee is working on brochure.

##### **4.4. Education Committee: (Kathryn McDougal)**

No new update to report. Will have update at the February School Board Meeting.

#### **5. New Business**

##### **5.1 Fig Garden Soccer Club**

A concern was brought up about how teams were selected and how the organization runs the program. Fig Garden league is a separate entity from the school, but the concern is that we offer parent hours to St. Anthony’s coaches and our logo is on all jerseys. Main issue was with the Coaches and how they pick players.

Mike suggested that Mr. McConnico meet with the program coordinator to discuss the issues. All coaches should be reminded of the Code of Conduct rules. Director needs to reinforce the rules. Mr. McConnico will address the issues and report back in February’s school board meeting.

##### **5.2 Strategic Plan**

Mike will get with Mr. McConnico and Msgr. Rob to discuss the strategic plan. Will have report at next meeting. Looking to throw new items into the bucket.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:38 PM.

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