

St. George School Board Meeting

January 8, 2015

Those attending were Father Bill Debo, Julie Clingman, Michelle Kotthoff, Jocelyn Schluss, Steve Engemann and Anita Ruga. Bill Sellers was also present

Anita Ruga opened the meeting at 7:06 p.m. Julie Clingman led the opening prayer.

A quorum was established with 4 of 7 school board members present.

Mission Statement Review: The board reflected on the Mission Statement and offered examples of how the mission is lived in daily life. One example cited was a thank-you letter from St. Gertrude School. St. George staff was very helpful and comforting to a student who became ill while traveling to Hermann to tour the rectory. Another example was first grade students who have been sending letters to graduates of St. George when their names/pictures are in the paper. They have been thanking the graduates for serving as role models.

Minutes: Minutes were distributed via email prior to the meeting. Jocelyn Schluss moved that the minutes be approved as posted. Michelle Kotthoff seconded the motion. There was no opposition. The minutes were approved.

Athletic Report: The Athletic Committee has asked the School Board to consider allowing 5th grade girls to play basketball during the 2015-2016 academic year. Since there will be 18 girls on the B team, they would like to return to a 5th & 6th grade format. Also discussed were the possibility of 4th grade boys playing with 5th graders to make a team for tournaments and the possibility of an 8th grade "cross roads" tournament with teams from the diocese and archdiocese. The committee requested permission to purchase a new floor scrubber to reduce the slickness of the gym floor. A committee of fathers will be formed to scrub the floor before each game. Michelle moved to approve the Athletic Committee purchasing a new floor scrubber. Steve Engemann seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition.

Home & School Report: No Report.

Scrip Report: No Report.

Pastor's Report: Father Bill announced that the Parish Council will sponsor a Shrimp Boil on February 7 and thanked everyone who is working to make it a success.

Principal's Report: The Pro-Life Trip begins 01/20/2015; the students and parents have been asked to participate in the Pro-Life Rosary on Monday, January 19, 2015. There is a mandatory meeting for everyone who is attending at the cathedral on Sunday, January 11. The lunch program will be evaluated by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) on Friday, January 9, 2015.

Finance: At the December meeting, the board developed the church portion of the 2015-2016 school budget. Michelle moved that the school portion be approved as presented with only a \$750 increase over the 2014-2015 budget; Jocelyn seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition.

Development Committee: No Report.

Marketing Committee: The Committee met on January 6. A movie night is scheduled for Friday, February 6 following the fish fry. The Student Council has planned some games and will be providing popcorn and lemonade. Invitations will be going out to school families to pass along to non-school families.

Long Range Planning Committee: Progress is being made with Microsoft to provide the matching gift for the tablet that was awarded at the Rollin' on the River event. Discussion ensued on when the parish could expect to receive the check for the education fund.

Building & Grounds: Ms. Jacobs has taken over cleaning of the primary building after school. She is doing this on her own time with no additional pay.

Old Business: Marilyn Overkamp has agreed to help organize the archery program. Mrs. Clingman has asked Alan Schluss and Alan Overkamp to assist Mrs. Overkamp. Alan Schluss has agreed to help when he is available and she is waiting for a response from Alan Overkamp. Other parent volunteers may be sought to assist with the archery program.

New Business: Steve met with Darlene Aubuchon about preparations for the Shrimp Boil. She will help with advance preparations. The list of volunteers from last year was forwarded to Mike Witthaus.

Executive Session: The Board was in Executive Session from 7:40 – 7:50 p.m.

Jocelyn Schluss moved that the meeting be adjourned; Steve Engemann seconded the motion. Bill Sellers led the closing prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

The next meeting will be February 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Ruga

Father Bill Debo