

ST. KATHARINE DREXEL PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

BEAVER DAM, WI

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES-

July 21, 2014

Members Present: Barb Haase, Monica McGauley, Dave Kalscheur, Debbie Hanks, Tracy Gundert, Jill Kaufmann, Beth Jens

Absent: Heather Eggers, Jenny Merrill, Tricia Cargen

I. Call to Order/Opening Prayer

- a. Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.; Our Father prayer offered by group.

II. Board President Opening Statement/Introduction of Guests:

- a. None

III. Review and approval of previous meeting's minutes:

- a. Approved with one correction by Tracy Gundert; Seconded by Debbie Hanks.
- b. Correction- Tuition contracts went out in June.

IV. Audience comments/Eyes and Ears

- a. Received a thank you from Kathleen Cepelka for sending her a copy of the video SKDS made for Field Day. This video will also be used for the 1st day back prayer at the beginning of the 2014-15 school year.

V. Correspondence

- a. Carol Lockwood has resigned from her position as playground and lunchroom supervisor at SKDS. Carol joyfully tended our students for 14 years.

VI. Pastor's Report

- a. None

VII. Administrator's Report

- a. Getting ready for new school year
 - ① Interviewing for 2nd Grade and 4K/Preschool/Reading Resource teachers
 - ② Teachers are participating in the interviews.
 - ③ School cleaning is moving right along. People are working on the roof over the gym, gym lobby and inner court area. People are also working on the Sisters' house. We've been fortunate to have great helpers this summer.
 - ④ There is an Open House at the St. Pat's school building, which has been sold, tomorrow; so cleaning has transitioned to the Maple Avenue site.
 - ⑤ Tuition is starting to come in. Contracts were due July 1 and payments due August 1. We emailed everything possible this year.

⑥ 2014-15 Enrollment numbers are at 235 (Preschool: 19, 4K: 44, 5K: 12, 1st:24, 2nd:18, 3rd:20, 4th:20, 5th:18, 6th:23, 7th:18, 8th:19)

⑦ Crossing Paths has been sent out. It will also be on the website. This issue focused on volunteers.

⑧ The Parish Festival is August 23rd. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact the Parish Office.

b. School Board Positions

① We are still looking to fill one spot on the board. If anyone is interested in filling that spot or would like to nominate someone, please contact the school office.

c. Home and School

① There was a meeting yesterday. They have a few positions they are looking to fill: chair and treasurer. Kate Meyer did a great job as chair for the past 2 years! This is a great organization that coordinates a lot of fun activities, which keep families connected to the school and parish. If anyone is interested in joining, please contact the school office.

d. New Series: Reading and Religion

① Religion: Barb has been looking for a good new series for a few years. This new series is for all grades and is called the Pflaum Gospel Weeklies. This series consists of weekly pamphlets that follow the weekly gospel. We will be trying the series this year and will see how it works. Families are encouraged to offer feedback on this new series throughout the school year. The series was selected in part to connect with the parish evangelization action plan. We hope it will help families connect to the parish and have a desire to join in praying together at our weekend liturgies.

② Reading: K-2nd grade will be using the Super Kids series. The purpose of the Super Kids program is to get kids reading by the end of 2nd grade where they can then read to learn, not learn to read.

VIII. Break- None taken

IX. Wisconsin Parental Choice Update

- a. Barb is working at connecting with principals who have already gone through the process to look at best practices.

X. Committee Reports

- a. Scrip Committee
 - i. No Report
- b. Financial Report
- c. i. Nothing to report at this time. The books closed June 30. Final bills are still coming in.
- d. Advancement Committee
 - i. Glitz- no report
- e. Endowment
 - i. No Report

XI. Parish Council Liaison Report July

- a. None- no July meeting.

XII. Old Business

- a. none

XIII. New Business

- a. none

XIV. Adjournment Next Meeting

- a. Meeting was adjourned @ 7:45 p.m.
- b. Next meeting will be August 19, 2014 @ 7:00 p.m.