ST. KATHARINE DREXEL PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

February 17, 2015

Members Present: Barb Haase, Father Mike, Dave Kalscheur, Jill Kaufmann, Mark Roedl, Tricia Cargen, Lily Avalos, Deb Hankes, Monica McGauley, Beth Jens

Absent: Heather Eggers, Jenny Merrill, Tracy Gundert

I. Call to Order/Opening Prayer

a. Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.; Dave Kalscheur led the group in prayer.

II. Board President Opening Statement/Introduction of Guests:

a. none

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

a. January meeting minutes approved by Dave Kalscheur and seconded by Jill Kaufmann.

IV. Audience comments/Eyes and Ears:

a. SKDS received a thank you certificate for participating in the NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress) this year.
b. An article was shared that was written by SKDS Alum, Jack Tierney, which was published in an Augustinian newsletter.

V. Correspondence

a. Regarding SKDS Middle School Dances (2/13)-SKDS will be adding some additional rules for these events to help ensure safety. These include: 1) students must have an ID, or will not be allowed into the dance 2) students will have to sign in 3) more lights will be on in the gym 4) strict enforcement of the existing rule of not allowing students on the stage 4) if there are not enough chaperones available, the dance will need to be canceled. Barb is working with the dance organizers to review these changes and see if any additional rules need to be added.

VI. Pastor's Report

a. Father Mike provided an Endowment Committee update (see below)

VII. Administrator's Report

a. Registration (4K, 5K, Pre School, Early Childhood Open House)

❶ 4K- Registration will be 2/25, 2/26, 2/27. It will not be at all the sites (as it was in the past). Registration will take place at the Beaver Dam Education Service Center. SKDS has sent letters to parish families with 4 year olds regarding 4K registration and the change in location of sign up.

❷ 5K- Registration will be this coming Thursday (2-19-15).

❸ Pre School- Registration will be 3/19.

❹ Early Childhood Open House- was last Sunday. 13 Families attended (7 families expressed interest in Pre School and 6 expressed interests in 4K). All families were given a brochure and forms for the 4K program. Families were asked to share the brochure with another family who may be interested in our preschool or 4K programs.

b. Roofing Project Impact on School

❶ This will start on 3/9 and weather permitting be finished by Easter. A letter will go home to families this Friday outlining the impact this will have on the students. During this project the Monday-Thursday masses will be moved to the Parish Center and the Friday- Sunday masses will be moved to the gym. The lower parking lot will be used for equipment.

c. LUMEN Alliance Activities: Writer's Conference, Spelling Bee, Literacy In-service, Sustaining a Mission

❶ These are joint activities that include Dodge County, Washington County and Fond Du Lac County. The Writer's Conference will be on 3/3 and include grades 4 to 8. This is a great way for our students to meet other Catholic School students in our area and work with a real author.

d. Lent: Activities, Living Stations, Shadow Way of the Cross

❶ Living Stations will be on 3/6 in the church

❷ Shadow Way of the Cross will be 4/1 in the gym

e. Accreditation: National Standards and Benchmarks for Effective Catholic Schools Team Training

❶The group reviewed the "Wisconsin Catholic Schools Accreditation" overview. Barb is putting together an Accreditation team who will attend a training session on 6/9. This will review the new set of standards and the new format. Part of this Accreditation will require an internal study.

VIII. Break- None taken

IX. Wisconsin Parental Choice Update

a. Barb Haase and Jenny Crombie will be attending their second training session on 3/3. The School Board reviewed the proposed program updates and changes that were in the 2015-2017 Governor's Budget Proposal: A Summary of School Choice Changes. Some possible changes include changes in voucher amounts, when students in private school can enter the program, when schools can apply and who can apply.

X. Committee Reports

a. Scrip Committee
   i. No Report- There is some confusion regarding the change in the Kwik Trip program. Mark Roedl is going to get clarification on the changes for our next meeting.
b. Financial Report
   i. The July 2014-January 2015 Budget vs Actual was reviewed.
   ii. The Finance committee is currently working on the budget for next year.
c. Advancement Committee
   i. Glitz- SAVE THE DATE: 11/7/15 FOR NEXT YEAR!!! This will be the 10TH Anniversary!!!
   ii. PR- Working on a SKDS Facebook page. Barb is meeting with Danielle Paul and several other PR Committee members next Thursday to discuss this process and what needs to happen to make this successful. The goal is to have it set up by the end of this school year.
d. Home and School
   i. Met last night and discussed how to get more involvement from families. There was also a discussion about the Facebook page that is being developed.

e. Endowment
   i. The Endowment Committee met last week. Jack Hankes will be joining this committee. The discussion centered on getting more information in the bulletin.

XI. Parish Council Liaison Report January

a. Kristin Adsit did a presentation regarding Lifelong Formation. It included Youth Ministry, Youth Ministry Coordinators, what their role would be and the need for this type of position.
b. Tri-Parish (Clyman, Elba and Reeseville) priest sharing was discussed. It appears that this will take about 1/3 of both Father Mike and Father Erick's time. This was also part of the Youth Ministry Coordinator discussion.
c. There will be another Synod meeting on Saturday in West Bend.
d. The Parental Choice program was discussed, great questions were asked and overall the council was in favor of the program.
e. There are very detailed meeting notes available on the website for anyone who is interested.
f. Bob Einwalteir, a parishioner, has a background in leadership training has offered to help our parish in any way needed.

XII. Old Business

a. none

XIII. New Business

a. none

XIV. Adjournment Next Meeting

a. Meeting was adjourned @ 8:11 p.m.
b. Next meeting will be March 17, 2015 @ 7:00 p.m.