

HCS Advisory Council Minutes from Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM

Opening Prayer by Father Gary.

**Attendees:** Dr. Rick Erickson, Fr. Gary Wegner, Gary Kraus, Justin Schneider, Jenna Lawless, Grant Nadler, Kristi Wilkum, Melissa Bink, Jon Karls, Dena Entringer, Brant Breuer,

Absent: None

#### **SAC Leadership**

Chairperson (runs the meetings, talks regularly with principal and brings up topics pertinent and for the good of the

school): Jenna Lawless

Vice-Chairperson (takes over the duties in the absence of the Chairperson): Dena Entringer

Secretary: Melissa Bink

### **Standing Committee Representative**

**Education: Grant Nadler** 

STEM outreach, visiting businesses for career exploration, creative ideas, next meeting Thursday @ 6M. Contact is Sara Jacobs.

## Finance Council Representative: Jon Karls

Meets 4-5 times/year to discuss and review the finances of the school, approves the budget. Contact is Dr. Erickson.

### Fundraising Representative: Justin Schneider

Effort of bringing money into the school that is budgeted, Womens Dinner, Spring Raffle. Contact is Katie Karls.

Marketing/Recruitment Representative: Kristi Wilkum (also is the contact for this committee)

The promoting of the school.

## Home & School Representative: Gary Kraus

School lunch program, organizing field trips. Contact is Amy Sheldon.

### **Comments by Father Gary:**

Suggestion for Fr. Gary to have lunch occasionally with the students every several weeks.

Grateful for his birthday celebration.

Fr. Larry, Fr. Joseph and Fr. Gary are alternating masses.

Should we change the makeup of the SAC to become according to the size of the parishes? We are one member short for the SAC (from St. Mary's); because St. Isidore is 50% of the size we'd have a larger pool of prospective members. We should add this as an agenda item for our next meeting to come up with the solution.

# Comments by Dr. Erickson:

Distributed name, address, email address and phone listing. Distributed calendar.

Penny competition beginning on Monday Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> to donate to Catholic Relief Services.

Current state of the school: Raffle made approximately \$9K profit; budgeted \$15K. So far textbook costs are under cost by about \$4K which should offset this shortfall.

Student enrollment is steady.

Since June, the school has \$42K in unsolicited donation money since June.

Title money, \$9K (Title 1 \$6K for reading, Title 2 \$3K for staff).

## Accreditation update with AdvancED.

A report had to be given to the diocese which included information regarding the new reading program implementation, improved communication reinforcing manners and etiquette, and the expansion of the lowa test to more grades to be able to follow a student through the school to track improvement.

Areas of concern: Age of building, size of the building prohibits expansion, due to sub-rural status internet is subpar.

Closing Prayer by Father Gary.

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 26, 2017 in the school Conference Room 102 at 6:30 PM.

Gary made a motion to adjourn, Dena seconded.

Meeting minutes submitted by Melissa Bink