

Board of Education Meeting

President Jim Goetz called the meeting to order at 6:36

Board Member Participants: Jim Goetz, Doug Janulewicz, Melissa Swiecicki, Craig Ames, Tony Huerta, Jen Kreps, and Tim Sasek.

Also Attending: Principal Trish Wallinger, Elizabeth Tomaso, Will Targy, Kellie Kouba, Fr. Dennis Hanneman, Collette Borland.

Meeting Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2015

Minutes By: Doug Janulewicz

Craig moved and Tim seconded a motion to approve the minutes from May. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business: Line item for teacher in-services. Mrs. Wallinger indicated that most are paid by Bellevue Public Schools. Mrs. Wallinger targets low cost/no cost in-services. Mrs. Wallinger also indicated there is approximately \$7,500/teacher from Ignite the Faith to be used for additional college credits.

New Business:

School – There are 202 students enrolled. The school is at 81% capacity (maximum of 249 students). The students in each class are as follows:

Pre-K	25	3 rd	16	7 th	19
K	24	4 th	24	8 th	16
1 st	19	5 th	21		
2 nd	19	6 th	19		

Mrs. Wallinger indicated the staff is working on policies and procedure. A major piece for this includes the discipline system. Upcoming activities include the Arrows to Aeospace Parade on August 15; ice cream social on August 17; curriculum nights on August 24 (Pre-K-5th) and August 31(6th-8th). School starts on August 19. This will be a half day along with August 20. Teachers and staff are attending School of Faith. Extended day is still looking for personnel, in particular the 3-6:00 pm shift.

Collette discussed the school finances. Collette indicated staff is going over things with “a fine toothed comb”. Collette indicated the school has 95% tuition agreements signed. There is a new financial aid application form. Collette presented a draft Tuition Goals for review.

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Collette is going to provide a list of additional class fees for presentation at the next meeting.

Home and School- Elections held and Janet Yale is new President and Karen Medrano is Vice President. Home and school led the clean-up of the school. The gym floor was also thoroughly cleaned. Both school and gym look good.

School Development- The alumni August Rush been bag toss tournament will be on August 23. Honor letter went out 2 weeks ago. Next year will add grandparents, as grandparent data base grows. There is still no permanent priest for the base. Hoping to complete dual press release with St. Mathews on the Timothy Bioglio Scholarships. A new grandparent's form will be sent home at beginning of school year, collecting information on grandparents of current students. The Labels for Education contest ends October 9. The Fathers thank you celebration for Adopt-A-Student is September 29. There will be an upgrade to the backside software of the school website. There were also changes to the directory section of the website. There has been an advertisement for the school on the Hwy 370 billboard. This will run for 1 week each month. Mrs. Wallinger was welcomed as the new principal during Hospitality Sunday on June 14.

Sports- Volleyball is coming up-starts in September. There will be a 5th, 6th, and 7th grade volleyball team. The 4th grade team will play at BJSA.

Grants- St. Marys denied Unsung Heroes grant for science supplies (not in geographic focus). Nebraska Motor Club grant of \$2,500 is due in September. Received Koch Grant of \$10,000 for tuition assistance. Received Erate grant for the installation of access points, infrastructure, and wiring for wireless internet access throughout the school, including the gym.

Finance- No report

Parish Council- No meeting in July.

Religious Education- Elizabeth Tomaso reported the following:

August

- Registration for RE
- Catechists Training Aug 12 and 19
- Archdioceses Catechists workshop Aug 22
- Religious Education begins on Aug 26
- RE Reconciliation April 22nd

September

- 9-7th grade parents in-service
- 13-parish festival

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16-8th grade parents in-service
20-catechetical Sunday
30-2nd grade parents in-service

October

3-7th grade retreat-Pro Sanctity
4-7th grade Rite of Entrance 12:30 or 5 pm mass
10-8th grade retreat-Columban Fathers
11-hospitality Sunday
14-No RE-Bellevue Parent Teacher Conference
21-Fundraiser delivered
28-new 6th grade Vocations Night-St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton

Catechists Certification- My Catholic Faith Delivered.

Getting the Catechists signed up. Will have up to a year to finish the session. Free at this time. We have 12 Catechists who have signed up at this time.

Adult Faith Formation

“Prophets” will begin on September 15 at 6:30pm. Dave Garrison is facilitator.
“Walking Toward Eternity, Making choices for Today-Engaging the Struggles of Your Heart” by Cavins. This study will be presented in October.

Vacation Bible School-June 22-26

There were 105 participants and 60 volunteers. St. Mathews participated in the VBS.

Youth Ministry-

Worlds of Fun and New Orleans Mission went well. August Rush coming up at Columban Fathers. Rick Bennett is the new Knights Youth Director.

President Report- Jim moved the meeting into an Executive Session.

Elections were held; Jim Goetz remains President; Melissa Swiecicki is Vice President; and Doug Janulewicz is Secretary. Jim indicated the Bylaws and procedures need to be updated. Jim will email out sections to be reviewed/edited by members prior to each meeting. The proposed edits will reviewed/approved by the members at the following monthly meeting in an executive session.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 8 beginning at 6:30 p.m.
The meeting was then adjourned at 7:45 p.m.