

Board of Education Meeting

President Jim Goetz called the meeting to order at 6:40

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

Also Attending: Principal Cheryl Castle, Elizabeth Tomaso, Will Targy, Kellie Kouba, and Fr. Dennis Hanneman.

Meeting Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2015

Minutes By: Doug Janulewicz

Minutes from February 2015 meeting were not available for approval.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

School – Finished the Ignite the Faith Grant proposal for Environmental Education Program for \$25,000.

The School Technology Plan for next 3 years was completed. Professional development and a review of technology for replacement was included.

Submitting a grant proposal for \$41,000 to update/replace existing technology utilized by the school.

The school is working on registration packets.

Home and School- Gearing up for the auction. Have not received any election forms-all positions are open.

Sports- - Basketball is almost done. Volleyball clinic will be held in April. There will be early registration for volleyball, will also get the forms to Religious Education for distribution.

Grants-Working on two grants: 1) Stuff for the science lab and 2) Level Readers for all classrooms. We received a grant from Shopko for \$250 towards the 4/5 Grade field trip to Platte River State Park. We received \$1000 from Target towards our Library. They are no longer going to have the Library Grants, so they sent us a \$1000 just because. We are supposed to be receiving

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\$497 from Cornhusker Motor Club Foundation but as of yet I have not seen it. This would be for books for the Library.

Finance-The tuition for next school year has been approved. Registration will increase \$15/student and tuition will increase \$25/student.

Parish Council- A follow up discussion was had on the Parish picnic. Mike indicated would like to see budget and how we did in past. Father said to speak with Ray, he should have all of the information. Father thought the big expense was the tent. Mike would like to have a meeting two weeks after Easter with representatives of the various groups participating in the picnic. Another meeting would be scheduled in May/June to verify everything is on track. The target date for having everything pulled together would be August 15. Father indicated Parish mission will be March 21-25, 2015. A business manager has been hired. Ms. Collette Borland will start on March 16, with 6 weeks of overlap with Ray. Her background is in nonprofit administration, accounting, and customer relations. The addition to the front of the church was discussed. Father indicated a short term loan would be needed to cover costs. Would like to have at least half of the cost in the bank before beginning construction. Will receive approximately \$75,000 from Ignite the Faith. Different options were discussed on how to raise additional funds. Will take approximately 6 months to complete the addition (without any major weather delays). The new website is up and running. Still has a lot of work left-estimate +/- six months to be fully functional. KOC fish fries have started. A blood drive is scheduled for June 20, 2015. There will be no Pastoral Council meeting in March. A review of the January discussion on the Evangelization/Welcoming strategic goals was completed. Communication implementation steps were analyzed.

Religious Education- Elizabeth Tomaso reported the following:

Feb. VBS registration is beginning.

Gloria Deo Bookstore went well \$145.53 was earned. Bought books, CD's for the RE media library

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18- Take your Family to Mass day, was a success. Many of the RE families attended Ash Wednesday mass for the first time.

8th grade Passion- went very well. The students really understand what Jesus went through which makes the Stations of the Cross very meaningful for them.

March Lent/Sacraments-

Registering for RE 2016-2017 starts March 18th.

Stations of the Cross-(8th grade present) March 4, went very well. Many of the adults who attended said it was one of the best youth stations that they have ever attended.

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NO RE-March 11th-Parent Teacher Conference-Bellevue)

Parish Mission –March 21-25-added a Morning session after Mass M,T,W.

NO RE March 25 (Mission)

Holy Week-(Palm Sunday March 29th) NO RE on April 1st Bellevue School Spring
Break

Chrism Mass- March 30th at 11am-Catherdal. Will invite 8th grade students to attend. Of those students 2)(one RE and one School) will be asked to present the oils at Holy Thursday Mass at St. Mary's. .

April-Easter/Sacraments

No RE- April 1st- Bellevue Spring Break

Rite of Enrollment (8th grade) April 11th at 5pm or April 12th at 12:30pm

RE scheduled for 15th

RE Reconciliation April 22nd

First Communion rehearsal- April 25th

First Communion April 26th

RE scheduled for 29th

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 8 Catechists who have signed up at this time.

Adult Faith Formation

Catholicism 101-A study with the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults with Deacon Jeff Braxton. Monday's at 6:30pm DC

Acts-The Spread of the Kingdom-facilitator Dn Gary Bash-Thursdays at 6:30pm DC

Walking Towards Eternity-Making Choices for Today. Help you to live your faith more fully. Facilitator- Dn Chuck L'Archevesque-1:30pm, St. Mark's

Mary A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother-. Facilitator Dave Garrison, Tues. 6:30pm DC
Will be completing this study on March 24th.

Next study will be on the **Extraordinary Synod on Family** which took place on Oct. 15-19, 2014.

Starts on March 31st. concluding on April 28th. 6:30pm DC

That Man Is You– Friday's at 5:30am. –Ted Menzel and Lynn Trimpey-

Family Life

Lenten Mission with Deacons Eddie Ensely and Robert Hermann the week of March 21st, 2015. Flyer included

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Letters went out to Ministries to help with receptions after PM Mission. PC has confirmed it will help.

Father Dick Sparks-Paulist, has agreed to be our Lenten Mission Leader for 2016-week of March 7, 2016

Youth Ministry- There was a good turnout for the pancake fundraiser. Moms hosting Sunday night dinner. Spring retreat is scheduled for the end of the month. World You Day information went out last week. Will be trip to Poland then 4-5 days in Europe. Knights of Columbus easter egg hunt will be a Columbus on April 4, 2015, starting at 10 am.

School Development – The new Military Liaison will be Steve Stortz.

There will be 6-\$1,000 scholarships available to St. Marys and St. Mathews students.

Need student greeters for Palm Sunday.

Alumni having a bean bag toss tournament during August Rush.

Had a successful Pre-K and K parents dinner. Approximately 16 families were in attendance. Jennifer K. noted this may have been one of the better attended parents dinner. A suggestion was made to procure a nice “front yard” street banner used in recruiting. The banner would be positioned for traffic on Mission Street.

The Gym Dedication will be Friday, March 27, 2015. Charlemagne Ortega (private donor who paid for gym murals) will be in attendance.

President Report- Election notice has been in the bulletin for the last two weeks. It is not known if any response has been received-will contact Craig Ames to find out. The Board of Education was asked to make a contribution to “Fathers Wallet” for the auction.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 14 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was then adjourned at 7:25 p.m.