

SCHOOLBOARD NOTES
St. John's Lutheran School
April 2009

Present – Fred Whitaker (Chair), Mary Ann McCuiston, Randy Einem (Principal), Jason Neben, Andrea Jensen (Auxiliary President), Andrea Dabrow, (6 of 8 voting members present - quorum established) Not Present –Daryl Cole, Lis Hohman, John Steinmeyer (Elder-non voting), Steve Redding (Elder - non voting)

Jason Neben led the opening devotion.

The agenda was moved and approved.

The following Student Leadership report was given:

- Recycling for Earth Day - 4/22 10,000 bottle caps were collected.
- Mercy House - Movie Night
- 5/9 is the last Dance of the Year
- 5/15 is the final Denim for Dollars
- Peer Tutoring - having high attendance
- Peer Counseling - no one assigned

Announcements / Dates

April

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| 10 | Good Friday NO SCHOOL |
| 11-19 | Easter Break NO SCHOOL |
| 20 | Tech Staff In-service NOON DISMISSAL |
| 23-24 4 th | Grade Sacramento Trip |
| 26-May1 | 8 th Grade D.C. & NYC Trip |

May

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| 7-8 | Kindergarten – Gr.4 Track and Field Day |
| 17 | Confirmation Sunday |
| 18 | Staff Development Day NOON DISMISSAL |

The March 2009 Minutes were approved as presented.

Randy Einem gave the following Principal's Report:

- 2009-10 Budget Update - no new teachers to assist in budget balancing
- Lunch Area renovation complete
- Dave Stuewe to lead task force for evaluating Hot Lunch providers for next year
- Web Site - continues to be delayed. Developer's progress inadequate and site not up in time for re-enrollment - project has failed its objective. Funds being withheld and alternative may be chosen.
- Parent Letter will be sent asking parents to consider donating the amount of the discount they receive to help provide tuition assistance for others.
- Sports Physical Policy - developed by our school nurse - concern with increasing obesity that those involved in school sports have a physical like the public schools. It was moved and approved.
- Allergy Policy - upon first reading. the council had some issues with wording, asked Randy to bring it back after revisions.
- Tuition Assistance Policy - does it need to be more detailed, since there will be an even larger demand this year. Randy asked to bring back how late requests or requests in excess of budget are managed by the Church currently.

- Dave Stuewe and Kenny Harrison will lead a task force on playground behavior, supervision, and policies, etc..
- Curriculum Development - "Step Up to Writing" training at the last In Service" day
- Team of faculty members moving from the writing plan to implementation and timeline for curriculum mapping across grade levels.
- Two situations regarding academic deficiency were discussed in Closed Session.

The Marketing/Enrollment Update was given.

Visioning the Future Growth Plan Report - the WASC report - "Growth Areas" will be a recurring report at all Council of Schools meetings starting in May.

Board Members for Openings: Suggestions - Andrea Dabrow expressed interest in running for a second term. Tony Harnack was suggested as a replacement for Daryl Cole who is completing his second consecutive term and cannot run again. Both will be reported to the Senior Staff and Trustees for inclusion on the ballot. Council members were encouraged to nominate anyone else they felt appropriate by contacting Joan Willet in the Senior Pastor's office.

Andrea Jensen gave the following School Auxiliary Report:

- The Silent Auction netted \$59,000. The Wrapping Paper fundraiser netted \$7000, and the Jog-A-Thon netted \$16,000. Funds will be allocated at the Spending Meeting.
- The list of officers elected by the Auxiliary was presented and approved by the Council according to the By-Laws.

The Endowment Committee had no report.

The Technology Task Force gave the following report:

- The laptops costs were determined to be \$1650. This is higher than last year to cover costs like power adapters, and software price increases not covered last year. This number was presented to the Council by electronic conference on April 28, 2009. It was moved and approved.
- This year's laptops will be paid off by June 30, 2009 after the last parent payments are received. The interest costs were unexpected, so Mark McElroy is negotiating 12 months same as cash financing for this coming year.
- No Grants were received out of all for which we applied.

Next Meeting - May 21, 2009

The meeting was adjourned with closing prayer.