



**St Catherine of Siena School Council
MINUTES OF MEETING
Monday, August 7, 2017 – Preschool Lobby**

Members Present

Jeremy Barr, Principal
Pat Buckles
Tracy Dible (Chair)
Diana Kessinger
Jeff Klaus
Elaine Klincik
Lindsay Morgan, PTO President
Brooke Smith

Members Absent

Father Dan Spexarth
Karen Stein

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Tracy at 7:00 P.M.

Opening Prayer

Jeremy opened the meeting with a prayer.

Approval of May Minutes

Minutes from the May meeting were approved. Brooke made a motion to approve the minutes. Jeff seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-0.

Announcements

Welcome to new School Council members Elaine Klincik, Jeff Klaus, Lindsay Morgan, and Brooke Smith. Diocesan School Council training for new members will be September 6 at St. Jude.

Agenda Additions

None

Committee Reports

Technology Committee – Karen is our representative on the Technology Committee. A rescheduled meeting was held on May 15. Jeremy reported that HP tablets were approved for the 4th grade students. Grades 5-8 will keep their current tablets. Brandon Gardiner is piloting a program for the science lab which will use a large screen TV to interact with the student tablets. Cisco phones have been donated to the school; two HP servers from the Wichita Eagle have been donated and a new copier is being leased.

Wellness Committee – Jeremy and Diana are our representatives on the Wellness Committee. No meeting has been held this month.

Athletic Committee – Lindsay is our representative on the Athletic Committee. No meeting has been held this month but a tailgate fundraiser event is being planned for the Open House on August 14.

Associate Principal's Report

- Elaine is working on the school Crisis Plan which involves creating classroom signage and renumbering classrooms to match building blueprints.

Principal's Report

- Enrollment update:
 - Preschool – 57
 - 38 – 3 & 4 yr olds, 19 – 5 day program
 - Kindergarten – 50
 - 1st – 50
 - 2nd – 50
 - 3rd – 46
 - 4th – 48
 - 5th – 25
 - 6th – 25
 - 7th – 24
 - 8th – 24Total of 399 students
- We have six new teachers this year.
- The money budgeted for the school from the Siena Ball fundraiser has been used to purchase lots of new items for each grade level.
- Goals and areas of focus for the coming year:
 - Staff, teacher, and student relationships with each other and with Jesus
 - Promoting a culture of literacy through staff, teacher, and student activities

Pastor's Report

Father Dan was unable to attend.

PTO President's Report

- Spirit wear orders went over very well at registration and will be handed out at Open House. Lots of new items have been added. In the future, PTO will have an online Siena store where merchandise can be purchased.
- All Star Sports Night will be held on August 17. Unlimited play tickets can be purchased for \$15 and PTO will make \$5 off wristband sales.
- A mentor program is being started for new families to answer questions they may have and involve them in school activities.
- PTO is planning new family events this year.
- Box Top Drive has been moved from November, to August 21-25.

Old Business

None

New Business

- School Council workgroups – parent, student, and staff surveys
 - School Council members will form workgroups for each of the three target groups and prepare survey questions to discuss at the next meeting. The online surveys would be administered to each of the groups at separate times throughout the year. The goal is to find out how we're doing and make adjustments for the next year based on the feedback.

Future Business

Develop online surveys for parents, students, and staff.

Closing Prayer

Jeremy led us in the closing prayer.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Next meeting will be Monday, September 11, 2017 @ 7:00 P.M.