



**St Catherine of Siena School Council
MINUTES OF MEETING
Monday, May 2, 2016 – School Conference Room**

Members Present

Connie Belden
Pat Buckles
Tracy Dible
Karen Gomez (Chair)
Betty Hunt, Principal
Rob Sill
Father Dan Spexarth, Pastor
Janice Yaeger

Special Guest:

Members Absent

Vanessa McKinney, PTO President

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Karen at 7:10 p.m.

Opening Prayer

Father Dan opened the meeting with a prayer.

Approval of April Minutes

Minutes from the April meeting were approved. Janice made a motion to approve the minutes. Rob seconded the motion. Motioned carried 8-0.

Announcements

Connie & Janice, Thank You for Your Service! With two members rotating each year, two new members will join in August.

Agenda Additions

None.

Committee Reports

Wellness Committee – Karen and Betty are our representatives on the Wellness Committee. No meeting took place this month.

Technology Committee – Rob is our representative on the Technology Committee. They met right before our meeting. They discussed rotating some computers/tablets between grades and buying some new computers/tablets for 7th grade. The Surface tablets have worked out much better than the Dell.

Principal's Report

- Faculty for next school year:
 - All faculty contracts have been turned in. All current teachers are returning.
 - Donna Brand will be moving down to 3rd grade.
 - Lisa Maliszewski has been hired to teach middle school Language Arts.
 - Mike Sabala has been hired to teach middle school Social Studies and Religion.
- Luke Ronsick got first place in the Father Kapaun diocesan poster contest, K-2 division. He drew Father Kapaun with Jesus as a shadow in the background.
- Our April 25 in-service on MTSS was excellent and we will be incorporating MTSS in reading next school year in at least K-5.
- This is Teacher Appreciation Week.
- Tuesday, May 3rd, is "Dress-Up Day" and May Crowning at 2:00. Also, the last PTO meeting for the year will be at 7:00 p.m.
- Friday, May 6th, is spirit dress and Eucharistic Adoration.
- Saturday, May 7th, is a CSAL track meet.
- The week of May 9th, the 3rd through 6th graders will be taking the Diocesan Religion Assessment.
- On Monday, May 9th, we will have our last Faith Family get together.
- Tuesday, May 10th, the 5th and 6th graders will go to World Treasures.
- The Book Swap will take place on May 11th and 12th during library classes and after school. This year games will also be included in the swap.
- On Wednesday, May 11th, there will be a pep rally in the gym at 2:45 p.m. All are welcome.
- Friday, May 13th, the 1st grade will go to the zoo, and the 3rd grade will have an in-house retreat and visit the Cathedral.
- Tuesday, May 17th, the 3rd through 6th graders will go to the Wingnuts game.
- Monday, May 23rd, the 3rd grade will do their "Tour of Heaven" famous saints presentation. All are welcome.
- Tuesday, May 24th, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass, we have our "Teachers move to the next class" Mass. We are hoping our new teachers will be present. After Mass, there is a reception for the incoming kindergarteners and their parents.
- Thursday, May 26th, is the Last Day of School! It will be field day with an 11:00 a.m. dismissal. Mass that day will be at 8:15 a.m.
- Friday, May 27th, is the teachers' work day and check-out day.
- Grades will be finalized and available on May 31st.

Pastor's Report

- We are re-activating the building committee. The work to open up the south wing will take place this summer. There will be a building committee meeting May 19th. This will be phase 2B which originally also included finishing the gym. The committee will be looking at if we should build the gym at this time. It is estimated the gym will cost 2.7 million dollars. The gym may be built in the 3rd phase with the church.
- We still plan to open a new pre-school in August 2017.

- We are working on the design for the art (paintings) to be placed in the school entrance.

PTO President's Report

- Vanessa was unable to attend.
- Tomorrow night is the last PTO meeting. Lindsay Morgan and Krystle Pauly will be joining the board.
- Mrs. High is asking for a piano for the school. The Men's Club and Sisters of Siena will be voting on to also help with the cost.

Old Business

- St. Catherine of Siena Diocesan Parent Survey Results – reviewed items number 41 - 58 on the list.

New Business

- Tablet "Take Home" Pilot Project Revisited – The pilot project has taken place with the 6th grade class and seems to be working well. Students are taking good care of the tablets.
- Policy Book Changes/Additions for the 2016-2017 Parent/Student Policy Handbook were reviewed.
- The 2016-2017 "Tentative" School Calendar was reviewed.

Future Business

- More on Long Range Planning – Betty and Karen have reviewed possible items for long range planning, and we hope to address at least an item a month this school year.

Closing Prayer

Father Dan led us in closing prayer.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.
Next meeting will be in August, 2016.