

BOE Minutes

March 12, 2012

In attendance - Jennifer Hulsen, Cathy Lowdermilk, Heidi Sallee, Brady Ward, Linda Schoemehl, Peggy Abeln, Mary Ellen Leary, Katie Jackson, Mark Longtine, Father Bob, Bill Baxendale, Karen Ward, Gerry Kettenbach, Leslie Walrath

Faith Sharing by Mark Longtime

Motion to approve February minutes, motion second and approved.

Old Business

Jennifer Hulsen wanted to reiterate BOE role, that this is a volunteer position and that the board functions as an advisory role. Again reviewed all of the areas that we are supposed to be involved with, and discussing the bylaw changes. Discussed again how to find interested parishioners, etc...

New Business

Linda not present

Katie states that at this time she has nothing new to add.

Jennifer Hulsen gave updates on student recruitment, and some positive efforts. New student welcome party is a possibility, yard signs to be done again. Father Bob discussed the idea of having a MOPS group, like a mothers day out, interact with each other, etc... Ways to keep up with families after baptism. Catechesis of the the Good Shepard as an example for 3-6 year olds, examples of the way other churches do it, initiate themselves. Student recruitment committee to look into ideas. Discussion had about preschool in the future if space becomes available. Keeping separate from the day school for numerous reasons. Question about student retention issues, more of a report to come in next month.

Linda gave an update on teacher satisfaction. Very interested in having a teacher appreciation week, finances have been approved. Secondly, another survey in the spring to see if we have met their needs and what are they looking for for next year.

Discussion about how it would be nice to have an update from Spirit and Life concerning adult education activities. Will ask for an email update, or possibly to attend the meetings quarterly.

Karen Ward gave a quick update on the nomination committee as how we have put out the information to see if anyone is interested. There has been an announcement in the bulletin, on the website, and an envelope in the back of church. Asked about how to

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include more PSR families, will shoot the an email via Leslie for the PSR families and also fast direct.

BOE bylaw revision committee update has not seen any work yet.

New Parish Council rep is Mary Bufe

Principal's Report

Stewardship mission carnival went well. Started Stations of the Cross on Friday afternoons. Coming events there is a seventh grade church tour. Spring break is approaching, and Holy Thursday events. A new spelling program is starting. No snow days this year, so there is a new professional development day April 10, to be announced in this wednesday's newsletter. 8th graders in the glory of missouri recognition awards on April 13. Enrollment numbers presented. Staffing discussed as well.

Director of Religious Education

Leslie gave updates on completing a curriculum guide. Discussion about exams. Looking for someone with carpentry skills to build some items. Bulletin announcement, retired carpenters, eagle scouts. Positive feedback about confirmation sponsor meeting.

Pastor's report

Father taught all the second graders today about the eucharist as a celebration. Discussed how the Sunday Mass is the most important Mass of the week. There only two reasons not to go to Mass on Sunday - sick with a fever, or a foot of snow. And then the kids come up with other clever reasons. Father tries to really reinforce how important Mass is, to use a party as an example, to try to get more participation in the Eucharist as a weekly event. Search committee for the new principal update. 6 interviews, still at this step.

Faith sharing for the April meeting is Linda Schoemel.

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Closing prayer