



Minutes

- A. The St. Mary's Advisory Board met September 16, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.
- B. Chad Braegelmann, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
 - a. Opening prayer was led by Joe Ferriero.
 - b. Members present: Chad Braegelmann, Father Todd, Joe Ferriero, Jessica Huebner, Ryan Sleiter, JoAnn Kram, Matt Lhotka, Jeff Boyle, Joan Riedner and guest, Holly Geise. Pilar Eble was absent.
- C. Recommended actions
 - a. Review the agenda. Chad stated we need to add Disocean meeting to the agenda.
 - b. Review the minutes. Approval of minutes postponed until later date as we didn't have a copy to review at the meeting.
 - c. Finance Reports. Nothing new to go over.
- D. Unfinished Business.
 - a. 100 Year Celebration. Holly Geise gave an update that they are planning on serving around 50 people for Friday's lunch of which she will be preparing and serving. The exhibit will run from noon to 3 p.m. on Friday. There is a need for volunteers to throw color for the Color Run on Saturday. There are about 100 registered. There is not a headcount for how many are playing kickball or for the Saturday night dinner at the Old #1. Holly did order two Port-O-Potties for the street dance as we don't want people walking through the building during that time.
 - b. Heartland Security. All is installed. Only thing not in that was requested or wanted by Joe and Darla is the "Aiphone." This is a phone/entry system that has a screen so Darla is able to see who is at the exterior entrance doors when buzzing to get into the building. Estimated bid for this system is \$3100.
- E. New Business.
 - a. School calendar changes. We will have school on November 3rd to make up one of four days missed at the start of school.
 - b. School Board DVD. There is a DVD that all board members need to watch. Board members will take turns bringing it home. It's about what it means to be on a board, what is expected of you, etc.
- F. Principal Report
 - a. Back to school. It's been a great start for teachers and students. Joe and Darla's office is not back in order yet. The construction mess has been frustrating.
 - b. School Reach. Joe gave the board information about a phone system to alert parents of instant messages and updates to their home and cell phones. It costs \$500. Chad made a motion to go ahead with this and Ryan seconded. Motion passed.
 - c. After school program. There are about 20 kids enrolled in the program and they don't necessarily come every day. Great feedback is being heard from students, parents and staff. It's paying for itself. Ms. Olson teaches three of the days, the Spanish teacher does one day and then Renee Sidel (parent of St. Mary's) comes one day.
 - i. Enrichment Classes. Joe would like to look into offering a few enrichment classes like art, theater and dance during this time too. He is going to gather more information about this and get back to the board. Supportive feedback given by the board to pursue this.
 - d. Custodian. We have two custodians that we share with the church. One comes in at 6 a.m. and leaves at 1 p.m. The second custodian comes in later in the day so there are a few hours we are without a custodian during the school day hours. There has been some discussion that we are wondering if the hours can change so we have a custodian present during normal school hours. Reason for this is issues/messes come up where there is no one to take care of it. So either a teacher has to take time out from their lesson plans or a mess is left until the next custodian comes on shift. Joe is going to have a discussion with the custodians to see if this is possible.

- e. National Elementary Honor Society. Joe passed around a pamphlet about this to the board to review and see if there would be interest. No further discussion.
- f. Diocesan Meeting. Joe attended this meeting and there is a push towards art and science methods of teaching. Teachers are to look at their own strengths and weaknesses as to how they teach as well. It's called the "Marzano Method." It's very student centered and teacher reflective.
- G. Father Todd's Report.
 - a. Nothing new to report. Board meetings are now at 6:30 p.m. Father is happy the school will be ready by Septebmerfest and the pods/trailers should be removed by then.
- H. Committee Reports: Nothing new to report.
 - a. Recruitment/Public Relations: Pilar and Jessica
 - b. Long Range/Priority Planning: Matt and Joann
 - c. Education Fund: Joe and Father Todd
 - d. Technology: Matt and Joann
 - e. Repair/Maintenance: Jeff and Ryan
 - f. Fundraising: Pilar and Jessica
 - g. Finance: Chad, Ryan and Jeff
- I. Teacher Reports. Joan Riedner was present and reported that her class was "just getting going." Title I program started this week, second graders are getting into a routine, working through the changes and the kids have adjusted just fine.
- J. Meeting was adjourned at around 7:30 p.m. Motion by Joann and seconded by Jessica.
- K. Closing prayer given by Father.