

School Committee Minutes

October 22, 2008

Attendance: Linda Jackson, Lori Zoulek, Terry Dulzo, Marie Betley, Randy Trombley, Sandy Gallagher, Suzanne Squier, Dean Whitehead, Christy Eischen, Joellen Nicholas and Denise Danti.

Minutes approved as written

Special guests

- Bev Price and Nick from YTB
 - Bev and Nick presented a possible fundraiser for our school.
 - YTB (YourTravelBiz.com) is the organization and operates similar to Travelocity with up to 60% of the 10% profit that goes to YTB, to come back to St. William
 - Concerns were:
 - What are the costs to start and answer was one-time fee of \$500.
 - What are the administrative responsibilities after the start and answer was none – YTB maintains the site.
 - The committee agreed fundraiser is a good idea and voted to have presented to Stewardship Committee (next meeting is Monday before Thanksgiving, November 24th – 7:30pm).
 - Linda to request at rectory to get on Stewardship Agenda for next meeting
 - Linda asked to have other Catholic School successes presented – CC
 - Dean Whitehead to present to Stewardship

Correspondence

- none

PSA Report

- Patty Ogg – absent
- Need discussion about Crusader Game prizes

Dads' Club

- Basketball evals next week – planning Thanksgiving Tournaments
- Basketball meeting – 10/23
- Dads' asked for expenses for the graduation \$ request – a list was supplied – Randy to report back after next Dads' meeting

School/Principal's report

- Linda distributed a 2 page document on Marketing Catholic schools.
- Linda also presented Alumni flyer from Toni Dulzo's Catholic Elementary School. The committee continued the discussion regarding forming an alumni organization at St. William.
- Linda and Lori to attend principals' workshop for alumni on November 19th.
- Lori discussed conversation with Tamara Hull, AOD marketing, and getting non-school churches as well as churches with schools to discuss forming a union to support Catholic Schools. Tamara recommended our school open a conversation at the Vicariate monthly meeting with the priests. We would first need to put together our goals for the meeting and get approval from Fr. Michael. Linda asked committee to consider what we want as our goals and use November meeting to discuss further.
- Lori discussed speaker night not being well attended and suggestion by Linda to couple next speaker night with a PSA meeting. Lori to speak with Kathy O and Mary Shrader about changing the PSA meeting to Thursday, November 13th.

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- Linda discussed mass changes during the weekdays to observe Election day and Catholic holidays. Fr. to discuss Benedictions with students after dismissal on Election day.
- Friday, November 21st is a thank you to families that helped with the work this past year. The rectory staff will organize – potluck style with the church supplying beer/wine.
- Alumni weekend Jan31/Feb 1st, 2009 blitz at St. William with open house - during Catholic Schools week.
- New family contacts were made by members of the school committee.
- New online grading going well.

Teachers Report

- Sandy discussed tardy procedures – importance of starting on time. The staff agreed that if a student has 5 or more tardies in 3 weeks will get a check on Care Document.

Education Commission (Allison Baranski):

- Absent

Old Business

- Fundraising idea – basketball night at the Palace – support technology
 - Suzanne to follow-up marketing
 - Sandy to present wish list to staff
 - January 9th to kick off fundraiser
 - Pistons night – Tuesday, March 3rd, 2009

New Business

- To discuss Career Day at St. William

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm. Next meeting scheduled, Wednesday, November 19th, 2008, 6pm.