

St John Vianney Parish
School Board
May 12, 2014

Members in attendance: Toni Kroepelin, Chair; Rob Durham, Vice Chair; Elizabeth Lange, Secretary; Anne Brown, Heather Kormanik, Andy Hillig, Abe Fisher, and Fr. Ken Knippel, Pastor.

Absent: Tricia Piette, Victoria Alberts, Bill Hattendorf, Chris Gordon, and Pam Pyzyk.

Faculty Representative: Courtney Albright and Dan Demeter

Guests: Maureen Bouda, Lynne Byrne, Judy Kile, Kathy Grasse, Doug Wildes, Parish Council Secretary.

Meeting began at 6:51pm with a welcome and faith sharing. Toni passed around the School Committee's strategic plan for everyone to look over.

1. Liaison reports

a. Staff Report- Scheduled representatives absent.

b. Home and School- No report.

c. Parish Council- No report.

2. Chair's report

a. Discernment Update- Toni welcomed all guests and invited them to the church hall after the meeting to hear committee report outs. She announced discernment is June 16th for new members and committee discernment as well.

b. Google Drive- Toni reported she is working with Andy Stemper to assign members a committee number email. This will allow members to put relevant committee information in the Google drive for other members to access. The numbers can be reassigned when a term is completed and will provide continuity of information. These accounts will be used exclusively as a repository for sharing information and not for communicating via email.

c. Sub-committee Guides- Toni asked committee chairs to turn in committee hand-guides by June 16th. She asked that a draft of the guides be sent to her, Pam and Chris for review before the final copy.

3. Principal's report

a. 2014-15 Initiatives- Courtney Albright and Dan Demeter presented on behalf of Chris Gordon. The initiatives for next year are as follows:

1. Flexible grouping- based on skill groups and/or interests. Subjects will be taught at the same time to allow for students to be grouped across homerooms.
2. Middle School electives- Additional art, music, and technology electives will be added.
3. Expansion of differentiated instruction for all students
4. Common prep time for teachers

b. Personnel changes for 2014-2015- Courtney Albright explained Mrs. Goss will be 50% learning support and Ms. Yankala will be teaching 5th grade. Mrs. Schmit will also be 50% learning support and Mrs. Drees will be moving to 2nd grade. K5 will have an open position to be filled. Mrs. Albright will be director of curriculum and instruction. Dan Demeter explained he will teach 6th -8th social studies and take on the role of administrative associate. The library position has been eliminated.

4. President's report- No report.

5. Subcommittee reports-

a. Advancement- Rob explained the advancement committee focuses on marketing the school. This is done through the January open house and advertising at parish festival. The committee is also looking at other community events/parades for the school to participate in. Rob also noted the Marketing and Recruiting exemplary award site visit is in two weeks.

b. Policy- Anne explained this committee works on updating policies and procedures at school, based on recommendations from the Archdiocese.

Anne passed around the revised School Committee policy for review and approval. She explained the changes made: parish council liaison was omitted due to addition of Finance Council; sub-group added for Cur'e d'Ars; tightened up descriptions of sub-committee's; secretary will be a 1st year position; and changed number of meetings in a year to be no more than nine.

Anne also discussed the updates made to the Early Admission/Promotion policy. It has been changed to read, "Upon request, specific criteria may be provided by the principal." Anne

feels that the policy committee next year should review this further and decide if it should be part of handbook.

c. Long range planning- Andy explained this committee focuses on maintaining the schools position in the community by updating Shamrock Success brochure each year and applying for exemplary awards from Archdiocese.

d. Finance- Heather explained the finance committee works on the school budget and looks over financial statements. She feels the finance committee guidelines are still a work in progress due to the new finance council. Heather also discussed she would like to inform parents of a new private school tax deduction for the 2014 tax year.

6. New Business-none

7. Old Business- none

The meeting adjourned at 8:23pm.