

St. Jude Parish Education Commission

Meeting Minutes – April 6, 2010

Tuesday, 7:45pm Parish Center Meeting Mr. #2

In attendance: Kathy Ray, Cara Kramer, Kim Cole, Jen Long, Elaine Kroger, Marianne Dressman, Missy Meinhardt, Holly Aug, Tom Tressler, Angie Schroeder, Mike Nieman

Absent: Isaak A. Isaak, Fr. Eric, Bob Huber, Kamela Kurzhals, Mary Berger, Terri Knue

1. Opening Prayer: Missy Meinhardt

2. Approval of prior meetings minutes: Angie Schroeder, Kim Cole

3. Old Business

3.1. Late Arrival / Early Dismissal: Missy Meinhardt

- Would like to see this next year. Missy brought examples of different schools plans. A beginning of the year plan as to what would be done during each session was suggested. Also, it was felt that because A.M. Kindergarten loses time due to snow delays, it would be better to have an early dismissal rather than late arrival.

3.2 Conflict Resolution Revision Parent / Student Handbook : Missy Meinhardt

- Education Commission Handbook is up to date according to the Archdiocese.
- Missy left examples of other schools Handbooks for Mr. Huber in which the wording of how to handle conflict is clearer.

3.3 EC Elections

3.3.1 Need names & bios sent to mmeinhardt@zoomtown.com by April 18

- Reformatting the role of Education Commission was discussed.
- The idea of fewer Commission meetings with breakdowns into smaller action committees was brought up.
- Missy will discuss with Mr. Huber and Fr. Eric to see what our options are.

3.3.2 Officers: need President, Vice President and Secretary.

4. Report Items

4.1. Teacher's report / forum

4.1.1. New issues & updates

Ms. Ray: No issues, all is well.

Mrs. Aug:

- No Science textbooks meet curriculum standards.
- Mrs. Aug called other schools and found out that many schools are not using textbooks because of this.
- Currently looking away from textbooks and into smaller resources.

Mrs. Kurzhals:

- Absent

Mrs. Kroger

- Items for Mary Magdalene House were delivered on Holy Thursday. Mrs. Kroger will need help delivering items next year. Easter prayer service was planned by Mrs. Corbett and Mrs. Doran. It went well.

4.2. Principal's report Bob Huber: Absent

4.3. PTO report *Cara Kramer:*

- Most board positions for next year are filled.
 - Lori Rodgers – President
 - Marianne Dressman – Vice President
 - Lisa Seiler- Recording Secretary
 - Nina Jansen- Corresponding Secretary

Tina Gutekunst will be taking over Premier Hot lunch

4.4. Pastor's report *Fr. Bowman:*

Absent

5. New Business

5.1. Building Awareness Jen Long:

- Making all teachers in the building aware of grade level activities that may affect whole families.
- As an example, the night of Confirmation, several grades had tests the next day and it was difficult for siblings of the 8th grade students to study and attend Confirmation.

6. Closing Prayer : Missy Meinhardt

Next Meeting: Tuesday MAY 4, 2010 @ 7:45 p.m.