

St. Odilia School Council Meeting Minutes

Council:			
Meeting Date:	May 20, 2008	Time:	6:45 – 8:00

Meeting Participants:	Present		Present		Present
Katie Boyle	X	Karen Gilray	X	Margaret Karel	X
Donna Byron		Bob Grose	X	Nancy Sommers	X
Dan Duffy		Chris Henrich		Mike Witham	X
Ann Gaertner	X	Paul Johnson	X	Suzanne Zobitz	
Tom Savard		Mary Jo O'Dea	X	Mary Carver	

	Agenda/Minutes	Owner
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Prayer & New Member Welcome

Paul

Principal's Report

Bob

Remodeling – Phase III of the remodeling project includes the A-wing and the northwest doors. Bids on the project are being evaluated by the Administrative Council with a goal of a summer completion.

Busing – Mounds View School District just signed a contract with the same bus company that they used previously.

Eighth Grade Parent Appreciation Night - Held Thursday, May 15th. The evening was great.

Chalk the Masters – The art department is sponsoring a Chalk the Masters event in the parking lot on May 28th.

Preschool / Daycare

Bob

St Odilia is working with the YMCA program to develop a combination preschool/daycare program. The program will offer both half- and full-day preschool with before and after school daycare. The program will be available by fall 2008. A brochure with more details is being sent to households shortly.

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Cleaning of Facility

Bob

A concern was raised that an inspection of the kitchen was completed and a report was written about the lack of soap in a bathroom without notification of St Odilia. There were further concerns raised about the cleaning of the lunchroom and other areas. These concerns are being addressed. Bob will request from the Mounds View School District that a copy of all inspection reports be sent to St Odilia.

School Improvement Plan

Bob

A Progress Report based on the work that has been done on the school improvement plan over the 2007-8 school year. The council approved the report which will be sent to MNSA. Following this year, St Odilia will move towards a strategic plan.

Finance Committee Update

Bob/Mike

TADs – Families who have applied for financial aid for 2008-9 school year should have received notification of their award.

Budget – The PLC will be reviewing the final budget at their next meeting.

Discussion on Tuition Rates – The Finance committee is developing a proposal to allow non-parishioners to pay parishioner tuition rate. Also, a change in language will be proposed.

Marketing Committee Update

Paul

Paul reviewed the Annual Report draft. Following the addition of financial information, the report will be complete. It will be made available to all St Odilia families online.

Policies - Final Approval

Margaret

Admission Policy – One minor change. Approved.

Maltreatment of Minors – Phone numbers changed. Reviewed by external Child Protection worker from Ramsey County without recommendations for changes. Approved.

Constitution – Minor changes. Approved.

By-Laws – Minor changes. Approved.

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PAA Report (April meeting report)

Karen

Roger Toogood came to discuss working with the PAA on the upcoming 50th school celebration and alumni reunion. There was a final treasurer's report. The 2008-9 speakers' schedule was discussed.

Importantly, the PAA needs volunteers for two important projects for 2008-9: soccer field soccer concessions and State Fair Art submissions. Without immediate volunteers, both of these two worthwhile projects may be dropped.

Response to Stewardship Committee

Ann

In 2006, the Stewardship Committee sent the School Council (and other councils) a request for follow up on several action items as a response to financial constraints. Council members have just received letters to ask for follow up on these three action items. The council reviewed the action items and responded to them.

Other Business

Ann

The School Council would like to thank Suzanne Zobitz, Katie Boyle, and Dan Duffy for their leadership and service while on the council for the past 3 years. Their impact upon the school will be felt for many years.

Adjourn

*Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Sommers*