

Education Committee Minutes
November 17th, 2014 @ 6:30
St. Patrick's School

1. Attendance

1. Dr. Peter Noll, Father John, Lynn Huebsch, Paula O'Brien, Lesa Koski, Amy Wilson, Jenn Miller, Megan Gerard, Karen Vivian, Nick Schnider, Nini Milbrath, Nicky Loch, Jim Burns, Laura Anderson
2. Approval of Agenda and October Meeting Minutes-motioned and accepted by Peter Noll

2. Principal Report

1. Program PBIS was disbursed (See PN for copies). Some venues and uses of PBIS program have become lax. A committee will be formed and rebutted. The goal is to instill positive behavior as well as consequences when poor choices are made. The focus will be on character development and instructional implementation. Teachers need to implement and carry through at the middle school level-not the elementary grade level classrooms alone. Practice needs to become culture. All areas of the school culture will be addressed and the faculty and staff have the needed materials that assist. Overall goal of the program is to create expectations for the children to help develop a true sense of safety and security in their lives.
2. A January 19th workshop and service day for staff and faculty has been set. Customer service development will be the key focus. Presenters will be in attendance from external businesses and human relations field of work. Ideas and feedback to improve our interactions can be brought to PN to assist in this workshop.
3. With the open Office Manager position, Susan Landry and Carrie Whitacre are being asked to work longer hours for the interim. One person has been interviewed, the position has not been posted but will be soon. Postings will be done externally as well as with the diocese.

3. Pastor Report

1. Father John had to leave before reporting.

4. Home and School Update (Lesla Koski) Minutes from HS are on RenWeb.

1. Spooky Family Fun Night was a success, Emily Wagner will lead the event again for fall 2015.
2. Bi-Laws have been found and leadership rolls will be realigned in accordance to the bi-laws.
3. The meetings are currently held in the morning and presentations have been held at night, this will be flip flopped.
4. The next Home and School Hospitality will be on the 23rd, hosted by grades 3-4.
5. Sales of Spirit Wear are going well.

5. Sub-Committee Reporting and Updates (Sharing of documents was discussed-who all will have access to the documents. A decision was not reached.) Sub-committee work will move forward on action items as well as strategic planning simultaneously.

1. Creating Young Disciples-LH
 1. Sister Margaret will be a reader for the subcommittee, several parishioners and educators have come together.
 2. Timothy 4:12 will be their verse, their mission/vision has also been created.
2. Learning Differences-AW and MG
 1. Discussion on the concerns regarding the staff walking students to Willow River are ongoing.
 2. They have begun researching other schools learning differences programs.
 3. PN brought up peer mentoring with the use of high school students.
3. Technology-JB
 1. 8-10 members are coming together. They have two meetings set up prior to Christmas break. Members are bringing varying degrees of knowledge.
4. Curriculum and Prof Dev-have met.
 1. STEM-is being discussed further as well as Spanish starting at the kindergarten level.
 2. The next meeting has been set.
5. Advancement KV
 1. The next meeting has been set.
6. Finance and Facilities-LP
 1. A great invested group has met.
 2. Mark James is going to give them a tour of the school, a baseline of facilities and financials is about to be discussed.

6. The group moved to the computer lab to attend a tutorial on Google Documents. All Education Committee Meeting documents will be shared using this application.

7. Next Education Committee meeting is December 16th at 6:30 in the Church conference room.