

School Advisory Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 21, 2019 7:00 pm

Library Conference Room

Present: Father Bill, Wendy Sims, Kristin Vetrano, Abigail Costello, Jennifer Barker, Tony Raluy, LeeSa Page, Chris Byrne, Chris Legere, Melanie Hagan, Stephanie Miller, Susan White, Ron Maddox, Brent Norton, Susan Andriot

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Kristin Vetrano. Abigail Costello opened with the prayer.

Minutes from the April meeting were reviewed. Motion was made by Abigail Costello to accept the minutes. The motion was 2nd by LeeSa Page. Motion passed.

Recommended Action Items Review

- **Welcome New Members:** Brent Norton was welcomed to the SAC. Also elected was Laura Rittmuller, but she was not able to attend the meeting. New members will receive a binder that includes the bylaws, schedule, contact information, minutes and agendas
- **SAC Election Update:** Father Bill appointed Ann Showalter and she accepted.
- **Election for Vice Chair:** There was a tie for the Vice Chair position between Abigail Costello and Chris Byrne. Wendy will contact the three voting members that were not present to get their vote and break the tie.
- **Graduation Breakfast:** The breakfast was May 15, 2019. A lot of positive feedback was received. Amount of food and coffee purchased was almost perfect due to very few leftovers.
- **Budget:** Susan White reported that there was no significant change in increase to the budget. Committee voted on the recommendation for the 2019 – 2020 budget. Vote passed. The school budget increase approximately \$81K. SMM is behind \$113K year to date from July 1 – June 30. Overall, collections have been low.
- **Bus Recommendation:** Ron Maddux presented the bus proposals for a new 3 year contract. Bids were submitted by Miller Transportation and Jefferson Transportation. SMM families will pay \$360/family. The cost for field trips was significantly discounted by Miller Transportation. Based on all facts presented the Committee voted and decided to stay with Miller Transportation.
- **Year End Wrap Up/Outgoing Members:** Outgoing members Jennifer Barker, Holly Ryan and Kristen Vetrano were recognized for their service to SAC and were presented with a gift.

Information and Reports:

Pastor Report:

- Father Bill indicated that he will have a committee that will research the feasibility of adding a preschool at SMM.
- The number of baptisms and weddings are up.

Principal Report:

- All teachers have met with Wendy for reviews and to discuss professional development. Lacy Moore has met with all of the Instructional Assistants.
- Staff changes:
 - New 5th and 6th grade teachers have been selected to replace Dawn Fouts and Natalie Androla.
 - Katia Saunders resigned due to an opportunity with the Peace Corps.
 - Cassie Lowe, formerly Cassie Martin will be returning to SMM as a 1st grade teacher.
 - A part-time Counselor has been hired. She will split her time with SMM and St Raphael.
- Transition Day was Monday. Students visited the next grade up and got a brief overview from the teachers.
- Field Day is tomorrow.
- The teachers will start back on August 6 with a retreat at Epiphany. Dawn Della Bella will be the speaker.

Staff Report:

- SMM has so many fundraising events throughout the school year to help organizations such as Twisted Pink, Tommy Walsh, My Dog Eats First, just to name a few. The question presented to the committee was whether or not it is possible to canvass parishioners who would like to be supported with a fundraising event when the new school year begins and decide which organizations we can support and what time of year would be more fitting. For instance, October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month so SMM could support Twisted Pink.

Committee Reports

Financial Committee: Budget for 2019 – 2020 was presented.

School Improvement Plan Committee: No report.

Advancement Committee: No report.

Parish/School Relations Committee: No report.

Executive Committee: No report.

PTO:

- PTO will be starting something new for the 2019 – 2020 school year call “Spirit Nights”. This will bring not only students together, but families. Different events will be scheduled throughout the year. Stay tuned...
- Mustang Mile is scheduled for October 4, 2019.
- Fall Festival is scheduled for October 25 2019.
- Gala will be February 22, 2020. This will be a casual event and PTO would like to invite the whole parish, not just school families. Sadly, attendance was down this year.
- PTO will no longer manage Spirit Wear sales. This will be taken over by SMM Athletics.

Athletics: Rick Tobe reported that \$50,643 of the \$54,000 has been raised for the new floor and lighting in the PAC. He will be stepping down in July and Chris Schneidtmiller will be taking over as the Athletic

FUTURE BUSINESS

NEXT MEETING

August 12, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

Location: TBD

Prayer assignment – TBD

Respectfully submitted by Susan Andriot