

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School

School Board Minutes

May 1, 2014

Attendance: Kirk Gadelmann, Jesse Neve, Rick Epple, Danny Patterson, Rhonda Eurich, Melinda Young, Dr. Constance Krocak, Linda Johnson, Molly Price-Munson, Cheryl Hibbard, Jen Reier, **Fr. Tony O'Neill**, Mary Ament-Johnson and Tara Collins

Absent: Mike Reier

Fundraising Update

1. BLAST

- All costs associated with the BLAST are covered – any revenue from the night of the event will go straight to the bottom line
- Continue to get the word out
- Still in need of volunteers

2. Alumni Campaign

- We haven't gotten very far – need to regroup with Mike Greene and determine next steps and timing

3. The Langdon

- Is open – we need to continue to get the message out – regarding donations – 50% of your donations comes directly back to OLL!

Easter Egg Hunt

- Approximately 140 kids attended
 - 37, 2 and 3-year olds
 - 20, 4-year olds
- Many of the volunteers were from Preschool and Kindergarten families – great news!

Enrollment Update

- 81 students enrolled
 - Preschool – 16
 - Kindergarten – 9
 - First Grade – 9
 - Second Grade – 3
 - Third Grade – 10
 - Fourth Grade – 8
 - Fifth Grade – 9
 - Sixth Grade – 5
 - Seventh Grade – 5
 - Eight Grade – 7
- To-date, only 4 have indicated they are not re-enrolling
- 19 are still unsure – they have been contacted twice

Curriculum/Blended Learning Update

- Discussion regarding initial ACE Consulting meeting – decision made to move forward with them, ACE consulting presented to a select group of the board:
 - They have helped approximately 200 schools nationwide
 - Work to tailor to the individual student
 - Ensure that technology is used in the right way – providing tools for the teachers
 - Fr. Nate Wills – a doctorate student at Wisconsin gave a nice presentation overview – Connie to provide that presentation – perhaps invite him back for a presentation to the board, and potentially all parents.
 - Schools who have used ACE consulting have, in one year taken students from below national average test scores to 80%
 - Schools have also experienced a cost/student benefit – sometimes lowering the cost/student from \$9K to \$4K
 - Schools also saw enrollment increase by 10%
 - They currently have 5 different models – we'd be in the middle
 - Total investment – inclusive of hardware, software, consulting and staffing would be between \$25K-\$75K
 - Next steps
 - Connie to provide copy of Fr. Nate Wills' presentation – perhaps invite him back for a presentation to the board, and potentially all parents.
 - Cheryl would like to talk to and possibly visit schools where they have implemented the blended curriculum

Award Night

- Against All Odds – Tues., May 13, 5-8 pm

Budget

- Reviewed the current budget – Rick Epple spreadsheet

Closing Prayer

- Fr. Tony

Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting – Thurs., May 27