

## **Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School**

### **School Board Minutes**

**January 9, 2014**

**Attendance:** Rick Epple, Danny Patterson, Rhonda Eurich, Melinda Young Dr. Constance Krocak, Linda Johnson, Molly Price-Munson, Jesse Neve, Mary Ament-Johnson and Cheryl Hibbard, and Tara Collins

**Absent:** Fr. Tony O'Neil, Mike Reier, Kirk Gadelmann, Bob Chilsom (Parish Council), and Jen Reier (PTO)

**Update:** Cheryl's email - [chibbard01@gmail.com](mailto:chibbard01@gmail.com)

#### **Opening Prayer**

- Danny

#### **Minutes**

- 12-11-13 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved with edits to Melinda's name, and motion to move forward with discussions around extracurricular activities.

#### **School Update – Dr. Krocak**

- Service Awards
  - Connie announced that six children would be recognized for service awards at the 40 hour, 60 hour and 120 hour levels
- Staff Update -
  - Carol Franck hired for a .25 position – first day was 1-2-14
- Upcoming events – busy January
  - Geography and Spelling Bee
  - Service Day – Mon. 1/20/14 – MLK day
  - Catholic Schools week – Jan. 26 – Jan. 31
  - Kindergarten Roundup – Sun., Jan. 26
  - State of the School – Thurs., Jan. 30

#### **Survey – Tara**

- Reviewed draft survey
- Request for the scale to be Strongly Agree to Strongly Disagree – Tara to see if change is possible
- Request to add a comments section to each question
- Need to ensure the flipped classroom questions are noted as only applicable to 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders.
- Tara to explore Google Forms and also confirm whether school has a Survey Monkey account.
- Need to send survey no later than Mon., Jan. 20
- Need follow up strategy for those who indicate they are not coming back next year
- If someone doesn't return – need to schedule exit interviews

## **State of the School Meeting**

- Who is leading? Kirk, Connie and Fr. Tony
- School board AND teachers should have opportunity to review presentation PRIOR to the meeting
- Suggest following the outline of Kirk's letter in December
- Need to be sure we include hard statistics – NWEA test scores year over year, and in comparison to Mound Westonka and National averages
- How are our kids doing once they transition from OLL to:
  - Holy Family
  - Mound Westonka
  - Others?
- Discussed highlighting one of the Basilica families
- Need a real in-depth look at the average school day for Preschool, Kindergarten, Lower and Middle school students
- Need place in agenda to highlight Linda's extracurricular ideas – opportunity for parents to indicate their desire, ask questions, etc.
- Have a couple of students actually speak about their experiences here at OLL

## **Extra-curricular activities – Linda**

- Again, motion to further explore – looking at 3 types:
  - Enrichment Learning
  - After Hours Club
  - Long-range research project
- As stated above, will introduce at State of the School meeting on January 30
- Explore “pilot” in Trimester 3 – think about what day of the week, what seasons of the year and what time of day is best for the various age groups – only one child in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade isn't involved in after school activities – need to keep that in mind as we move forward.
- Also need to think about things that would be good for Preschool – we need to ensure parents with children in preschool see the added value at OLL – after school opportunities will help strengthen that relationship – Connie to think about ideas that would be good for preschool

## **OLL+**

- Offer preschool families an opportunity to shadow at OLL+
- Need to determine if OLL+ will be offered in the summer – discussed if there isn't OLL+, could we explore offering the Bridge Book series
- Need to determine tuition for the 2014-2015 school year

## **School Tuition for 2014-2015 School Year - Rick**

- Motion to approve to keep tuition rates exactly the same as the 2013-2014 school year
- Will continue to offer same discounts as well

## **Fundraising Update**

- Alumni Campaign:
  - Being chaired by Mike Greene
  - Plan is put together – need to finalize timeline for making calls
  - What else is needed?
- Starlight Bash
  - Need to get invite out to parents
  - Need to have in bulletin and announced at masses
  - For now, if a person has questions, call Phyllis
  - Need to better define tickets:
    - Table - \$1,000/table of ten
    - VIP - \$100/ticket
    - General - \$75/ticket
  - Desperately need additional silent and live auction items – if you have items, contact Claudia, Jen Reier or Kristi Doshan

### **Cornerstone Update**

- Training is underway, with 2<sup>nd</sup> training scheduled for 1/15 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> session scheduled for 1/22.
- Beth Randklev, Connie and Mary Ament-Johnson to work to determine how permissions are setup
- At this time we envision 3 administrators:
  1. Connie
  2. Rhonda
  3. Phyllis
- Need to determine ownership – who OWNS fundraising – Mike Reier is chair, however, since the module will mostly be used for Alumni Campaign, may make sense for Mike Greene to own

### **OLL Gym – Tara**

- I have been asked if OLL would consider renting the gym – indicated this is not a School Board item, so Rhonda will bring forward to Parish Council
- It does provide an opportunity for visibility in the community, so may want to consider it.

### **Motion to adjourn – approved**

**Next meeting – Thursday, February 6, 2014**