

Meeting minutes 11/10/16

- Members present – Meg Gehring, Courtney Weinheimer, Jason Tonne, Steve Williams, Jenni Young, Angela Dengel
- Approval of meeting minutes from 10/13/16 – Approved
- Past Business
 - Constitution – Much easier to read than the last. Thank you to all that worked on the new Constitution.
- Current Business
 - Capital Campaign
 - All 10 units are done. Just waiting for Duke to turn on electricity. Might be able to do 2 classrooms a day. Duke is talking about Nov. 28th.
 - Need names from St. John Neumann for two names to be on the capital campaign committee so they can get started.
 - Money pledged so far.
 - Accreditation Survey
 - Discussion
 - 160+ parent surveys were taken, but some families had both parents take it separately.
 - Next time make a disclaimer that these are questions are created by OCSAA and we could not alter questions.
 - A lot of positives that came out of the survey.
 - Mission Statement – maybe make it more visible for staff, students and parents.
 - Food wasted – students were concerned about wasting food. This will be a topic in January to discuss the issue of the school cafeteria.
 - Relationship between school and parish –
 - 5th grade – being a lot of busy work is concerning to many
- Committee Reports
 - Principal –
 - Collecting a lot of information for the accreditation in regards to demographics. Technology team is taking the surveys and taking the top 5 positives and bottom 5 to see what pops out to the team.
 - Done the mission and the statements. We need to choose a goal. Can choose a goal that does not come from the data. The purpose is to stretch the teachers in order to mold better students. March will be the time where data collection is over and the school to decide where to go with the whole process. Keep in mind we are trying to prepare students for their future.
 - Performing Arts next Friday. Night at the Wax Museum.
 - Budget – due by December Meeting

- Advertising signs for Open House. Looking at changing our design to see what will pop when on the streets.
- Teacher
 - Report cards sent home yesterday.
 - Conference forms are due. Conferences Monday and Tuesday before Thanksgiving.
 - 8th graders are selling poinsettias. Money goes toward the 8th grade trip. Camp Kern – leadership (amazing race and tango tower), Cincinnati trip (BB breakfast cruise and Red’s game) and Columbus Trip (Statehouse, State Supreme Court)
 - Still need Science Fair judges – Feb. 2nd (open house) 9:15-11:30
- CRE
 - Canned Food Drive – ends tomorrow.
 - Extra Credit – use contest entries as extra credit. Do not get many submissions. Of the students that do turn those in many do not choose to submit it for the contest.
 - Advent – students will stuff Advent packets on the 16th
 - Reconciliation – next week on the 16th
 - Retreat will be later in the year.
 - 8th graders will have to raise funds for their 8th grade project – protein rich meals and water that is sent to places with the greatest need.
 - 7th Grade will go to Matthew 25 ministries
 - Bible Bowl – struggling with getting kids who are able to stay after school.
- Pastors
 - Reconciliation – grades 3-8 will be able to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation in the next two weeks.
 - Advent packets – lots of good things in their especially a prayer to calm.
- PTO
 - Last board meeting was Oct. 19th – major topic was increasing attendance at the membership meetings.
 - Ideas – art class making invite cards to invite parents to the meeting, personalized emails, having older kids on hand to babysit younger kids, offering pizza, ordering t-shirts for board members so people know who to talk to.
 - Grandparents Day and Walk a thon chairs have been filled.
 - Cookie Dough Fundraiser – numbers look good
 - Future – Santa Shop – week after Thanksgiving.
- Finance
 - Waiting for Autism scholarship from last year.
 - Supplies and repairs had a large jump.
- Marketing/ Pub./ Fund.
 - Shout out to Linda Threm for updating the school website.

- Beth Hassel – submitting articles to the Northwest Press about the Fashion Show and soccer teams who are going to state.
- Grandparent newsletter will be started
- More communication between what is going on in the school at the other two parishes. Trying to inform the parishioners that do not have kids at St. John's about what is going on and how they can get involved.