SEVEN DOLORS BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

School Library May 8, 2012 at 6:30 pm

I. Call to Order

- A. Prayer
- B. Roll Call

Present: Ami Ohmann(chaired meeting) Anne Gourde, Pam Mareck, Jeff Meyer, Bonnie Massman, Fr. Michael, Sr. Alice)

C. Director of Faith Formation Report Registrations are going very well. The faith formation committee will meet one more time before the end of the year.

II. Recommended Actions

A. Routine Matters

- 1. The Agenda was approved with addition of New business item #8
- 2. The Minutes of April meeting were approved
- 3. Review of Finances for April Due to insurance premium increases being less that anticipated, a low number of sub days and minimal repairs needed the budget this year is ending with some savings.

B. Unfinished Business

1. Board position recruitment. Darren Teske has agreed to be a candidate if they did not have anyone. Darren has one child currently at school in grade 1. Staci (Roger) Kalthoff has also agreed to be a candidate for the board. There are still a few additional people that board members had contacted they have not decided yet. Friday was set as the deadline for submitting names.

2. Kindergarten & Preschool Update

We currently have 29 children registered for Kindergarten. (One child that was registered was the possible early admission. After meeting with Mrs. Young and Mrs. Massmann for an evaluation, it was agreed that the child should do another year of preschool.

Preschool currently has 14 enrolled with 3 on the waiting list. We would need six students in order to offer a second section. If only one section is offer an exception will be made for the child that was registered for Kindergarten and the class size would be 15. June 1 would be the deadline for registering for the 2nd section.

- 3. Board Self-Evaluation Bonnie will present the summary of the self-evaluation forms. This information will be used to write goals for the board at the August meeting.
- 4. Discussion on and adoption of anti-discrimination policy. Bonnie was asked to check with the diocesan attorney for clarification on several points.
- 5. Principal Evaluation Review lead by Fr. Michael in a closed session. After the closed session Bonnie discussed the evaluation with the board.

C. New Business

- 1. Heritage Day Parade Float A request for volunteers was placed in the newsletter. This item will be discussed at the June board meeting.
- 2. The board discussed the recommended changes to the fundraising.
 - a. Bake sale at the 3 school breakfasts. Each family donate 2 items.
 - b. Set a per family goal for raffles.
 - c. Have a cash bingo along with the Fish Fry.
 - d. Bean Bag Tournament last weekend of Sept.
 - e. Encourage both parents to sign up for the 4 required events
 - f. CUF will "match" both the Oct and Dec breakfasts
 - f. Other items were discussed but it was decided they would not be pursued at this time. (Garage Sale/school auction, Dinner w/entertainer, wine/beer tasting event, pizza/frozen food sale, setting a minimum for each student/family to raise or add it to tuition.)

The board supported the suggestions.

- 3. 2012-2013 Dismissal time The district has contacted Bonnie to discuss the possibility of a 10 minute later dismissal time next year. We will know if this will happened for the next school year before the end of the year.
- 4. Building storm damage included all roof vents, multiple screens and broken windows. We have not heard back from the adjustor yet.
- 5. Summer repair projects. Major building work this summer will include installation of a smartboard in kindergarten, replacing sinks in the downstairs bathrooms, replacement of windows/screens, and expanding sprinkler into Preschool room.
- 6. Building upgrades required due to additional K class. After review of the school section of the fire codeand discussions with the state fire marshall, it was found that if we expand the current sprinkler system into next year's preschool room we would not need to install the fire escape. The sprinkler system expansion would be cheaper and much simpler.
- 7. Health Ins. Premium update Expenditures for our plan through the diocese has been very low the past 6 months so we have been notified that no premiums to staff or the school will be billed for the month of June.
- 8. The board decided to carry over the savings in this years budget to next year. The funds will be used to reduce the extra \$5000 that was asked of the parish for next year, to expand the technology staff position and to purchase additional technology.

Question from board member: The board discussed the scheduling time of the spring concert. Some preferred that we have an evening concert and some preferred we have it during the day. Bonnie indicated the following reasons for have the concert during the day:

1. Difficulty with scheduling 2 music teachers and band teacher for an

evening concert.

- 2. The school schedule in May is always extremely full.
- 3. Conflicts with spring sports scheduling.

III. Information and Proposals

- A. Pastor
- B. Principal
 - 1. 5K Very successful. Estimate of \$3500 in income.
 - 2. MCA testing All testing is now complete. Final reports will go to families sometime this spring. The preliminary results for the second opportunity for math testing indicate a positive trend. The number of students in the does not meet or partially meets category has decreased and the number in the meets or exceeds category has increased.
 - 3. End of year plan The last day of school will consist of a picnic lunch at 11:30, a variety show at 12:30 followed by kickball games and then some game choices.
- C. Committee Reports
- D. Guests none
- D. Confidential Matters none
- IV. Next meeting June 12, 2012

Preliminary Agenda Items:

- 1. Board positions
- 2. Heritage Day parade
- 3. Dismissal time for 2012-2013
- 4. Anti-Discrimination policy

Council Meeting Rep Bonnie Massmann May 17, 2012