

St. Paul School Committee Minutes

October 9, 2017

Present: Matt DeMarais, Ally Blonien, James Maloney, Cindy Robinson, Janel Welscher, Rick Drolet, Barb Romanello

Pastoral Council: Cindy reported on the parish news. The Pastoral Council has revisited the "Mission Statement". Changes to the statement reflect parish views. It is shorter and more memorable for people. Members are bringing the revised version to all groups in the parish for consideration, before posting it to the parish at large. One main component is the word 'welcoming'. They believe this is key to St. Paul and want to make sure each member is visible to parishioners.

School Committee will be looking to revise our mission statement to align with the parish.

Golf Outing: The outing went well and people who attended had fun. Monies raised is still unknown. The number of golfers attending was down by 2 from previous year (54 golfers and 5 school families were included in the numbers). Due to the magnitude of planning required for this event, it will be necessary to begin planning for next year.

Principal's Report: All is well in the school. Enrollment and staffing is steady; however, a new 4K student will be enrolling at end of October. Ally presented a school report at last month's Pastoral Council meeting which went well.

Upcoming dates announced were the BBQ and pumpkin roll on October 11, Souls' Walk on Oct. 21, Trunk or Treat on Oct. 28; all of these activities are meant for community building.

Scrip: Janel reported 2 more school families and a teacher are now using Scrip. There is a need for more volunteers to help sell after mass. Janel is fine with the helpers who are sorting Scrip. She did present scrip at the K of C pancake breakfast.

Raffle Tickets: All school families received tickets to purchase or sell. Approximately \$1400.00 has been raised.

Home and School: Ally is sending out a call for volunteers to serve on the Home and School Committee. School Committee will be looking to move our second Monday of the month meeting to Tuesday or Wednesday to accommodate Home and School. We do need to reaffirm the structure of Home and School and its purpose.

Marketing: Matt met with Peggie Smith who gave him an extensive report on past events and activities. She “gifted” him with the Marketing binder filled with all the information she gathered. Archdiocese gives each school \$500.00 to use in their print portal for marketing purposes. How we fill a marketing team is what comes next.

Beyond the Bell: Jim Meyers prepared a program for after school activities at St. Paul. It is his plan to have one per month. The first is to build raised garden beds for use with all age students. Building and Grounds is currently reviewing this for approval. Cindy mentioned the pastoral council loved the title since our symbol for St. Paul is the bell tower.

Grant Money: The awarded science grant will be received on November 7 to Mrs. Brockel and Ally. The money will be used to purchase a 3D printer.

Next Meeting will be determined. It is originally scheduled for November 13.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barb Romanello