

ST. AUGUSTIN BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting Minutes
Oct 4, 2011

Roll Call: Members present: Christen Cota, Dr. Nancy Dowdle, Karen Engel, Kathy Halliwell, Karen Pierick, Ryan Melcher, Clark Smith

Members Absent: Mindi Dickinson, Fr. Polich, Kelle Rolfes, Matt Dryer

Nonmembers Present: Joe Kobes, Parish Council Member, Megan Pearson, 4th grade teacher

Acceptance of Agenda

The agenda was approved with no changes made. A motion to approve was made by Kathy Halliwell, seconded by Karen Engel and passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the previous meeting September 14 were reviewed with no changes. A motion to approve was made by Kathy Halliwell, seconded by Ryan Melcher and passed unanimously.

Comments from Guest:

Joe Kobes reported about the Parish Council elections. John Strawn replaced an outgoing member. Kelly Quinn is filling a one year vacancy on the Parish Council.

President's Report:

Erin Wenham agreed to be Alumni Coordinator for the church and school.

Administrator's Reports

Director of Religious Education: We have 74 students in Religious Education (RE). RE started with a social on September 7 and classes started on Sept 14. All the RE students went to the cathedral on Sept 28. Confirmation class met on Sept 29. There are 46 students in the confirmation class.

Liturgy Committee: Christen, on behalf of the liturgy committee, reviewed the new mass changes. The changes will occur the first Sunday of Advent. The structure of the

mass isn't changing. Mainly word translations changes. Booklets will be available after masses to purchase and small sheets will be in the pews for the first few masses.

Principal: The Gold star of distinction for "Healthier U.S. School Challenge" was awarded to St. Augustin's lunch program. Only one other school in the state of Iowa received this award. Congratulations to Pam Moore and all that helped St. Augustin's receive this honor.

Committee Reports

Adult Ed./Religious Ed./Youth Ministry/School Board no report

Athletics no report

Elections no report

Finance no report

Policy no report

Public Relations/Marketing no report

School Improvement 2011-2012 no report

Building/Grounds/Landscaping – Windows/Playground Joe Kobes met with Andy Ball about the new windows in the lower elementary school. There were some issues with window specifications not being followed. The errors will need to be fixed when the students aren't in school.

New Business

CTO - We received the first of two checks \$21,830 with a total to receive of 43,660. Twenty three families are served and 37 students with the CTO program. Monies are available for financial aid for families in need that didn't qualify for CTO.

Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS) is now called Iowa Assessments. The booklets are new and emphasize reading, writing, math, social studies, and science. Middle school tests will take 3 days, elementary tests will take 4 days to complete.

Board of Education is having 12 masses said for Bennett Rolfes in the next year.

Unfinished Business

Dr. Dowdle is having Dr. Tom Neal come in to speak to the teachers in October. CRISS strategy is being implemented at school.

Another goal of Dr. Dowdle is to infuse more technology into the curriculum.

Comments/Announcements

None

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kathy Halliwell and seconded by Karen Engel. The meeting was adjourned at 8pm

Next Meeting Date: Nov. 1, 2011
Treats & Prayer: Ryan Melcher