

ST. AUGUSTIN BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2011

Roll Call: Members present: Dr. Nancy Dowdle, Karen Engel, Kathy Halliwell, Karen Pierick, Ryan Melcher, Clark Smith Mindi Dickinson, Kelle Rolfes, Matt Dryer

Members Absent: Christen Cota, Fr. Polich

Nonmembers Present: Joe Kobes, Parish Council Member, Megan Lone, Middle School language arts teacher, Meg Courter, diocesan board member

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the previous meeting October 4 were reviewed with no changes. A motion to approve was made by Kathy Halliwell, seconded by Kelle Rolfes and passed unanimously.

Comments from Guest:

Joe Kobes mentioned that the window issues at the school are being resolved. There have been some complaints about the kneelers in bad shape. The Parish council is looking into this.

A Diocesan Board member, Meg Courter was at our meeting. She wanted to introduce herself to our board. Her goal is to increase communication between all parochial schools and the diocesan board. The board is a policy making body but want to have more communication with the parishes. They are a resource to us. Contact her at 222-0662 or jmcourter@mchsi.com if you want to assist at the diocesan level on the board.

President's Report:

Nothing to report.

Director of Religious Education: Christen is in the hospital. Nothing to report.

Administrator's Report:

Principal: The Gold star of distinction for “Healthier U.S. School Challenge” was awarded to St. Augustin’s lunch program. Pam Moore and Dr. Dowdle were at the White House and received the award. The First Lady met with both of them to give the school the award.

An Alumni director position was discussed. This position will help nurture relationships with alumni. The goal is to raise money in which the money will go to teacher endowment and capital expenditures.

Dr. Dowdle is on a policy committee for the diocesan board. A new change has been made in a policy. Parishes that don’t have a school, and have children attending a different parishes’ parochial school will be responsible for the parish (with the elementary school) component of the tuition. Currently we do not have any children in our school that belong to a parish without an elementary school.

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: Steve Pyle, Sherri Nielsen, Megan Milligan will assist this committee

School Improvement: 2011-2012 no report

Building/Grounds/Landscaping: no report

New Business

The school and teachers will all have new email address starting in November. The address will be the name of the person@staugustinschool.org . This will be better than the longer previous versions.

Unfinished Business

Comments/Announcements

Kelley Rolfes thanked the board for the 12 masses scheduled for Bennet Rolfes.

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

Next Meeting Date: December 6, 2011