



ST. LAWRENCE ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES from September 11, 2017

The St. Lawrence School Advisory Council met on September 11, 2017 at 6:15pm. Members present were Nancy Kruger, Rondi Scoular, Jason Street and Scott Wiese. Absent member was Sandra Fonder. Guests were Brenda Anderson, Fr. Gary DeRouchey, Darby Helms and Susie Wendland.

The meeting was called to order by Jason and opened with prayer. The agenda was reviewed. Rondi made a motion to accept the minutes from the May meeting, Nancy seconded the motion. Motion passed with one change to old business – paper trailer has brought in \$2674.75, not \$26,000.

Scott Wiese is a new member to the board, replacing Kate Capp whose term expired. Officers will remain the same.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The current registration for St. Lawrence pre-school through 6th grade is 86; this is a decrease due to moving out of town/new school districts.

We received \$10,000 from the Kremer Foundation, which has been split among 7 students. Two families applied for the Knights of Columbus Scholarships, which we have not heard about. Two students received \$750 each as scholarship from the Presentation Sisters.

Three new staff members have been welcomed. Cori Pierce in kindergarten, beginning in December. Sheila Bien is long term subbing until Cori begins. Susie Wendland is teaching computers. Darnell Frerichs is the new janitor.

New curriculum is being used for grades 3-6 science. The curriculum is all online. K-2 will revisit switching science in January. New curriculum is also being used in Music and Computer.

Tickets for "Missing Greenbacks Old-Time Radio Mystery" will be available soon. You may purchase individual tickets or a table of 8, as in the past. The dinner theater cast has started practice with lots of new people.

52 people participated in the Color Run. This made for \$325 in profit.

The IT person from the Diocese was here to help with evaluating our server and programs. The server should last us up to five more years. Everything else is working pretty well.

Safe Environment for staff & volunteers, along with students, is being completed.

OLD BUSINESS

The profits from the 2016 fish house raffle was put towards technology – purchase of iPads, chrome books & programs for the computer lab.

NEW BUSINESS

2017 Fish House raffle ticket sales are a bit slower than last year. Need to sell about 350 of the 800 to break even – having families sell would be beneficial. The goal is to buy new playground equipment with the profits.

Student Council has started meeting with new members. They are thinking of something to support those affected by the hurricanes; looking at one large fundraiser/quarter. Fr. Gary asked if the Student Council by-laws could be put on the school website.

The next meeting will be October 2nd at 6:15pm. Scott motioned for adjournment, seconded by Rondi. Motion passed. Fr. Gary sent us forward with a blessing.

Respectfully submitted.

Darby Helms

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