

JACS BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 18, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael Teeter, Vice-President/St. Mary's Parish Representative
Tara Horinek/St. Mary's Parish Representative
Pat Lonardo, Secretary/Sacred Heart Parish Representative
Patricia Moore, Treasurer; Building & Grounds/St. Peter's Parish Representative
Joe Patzner/Sacred Heart Parish Representative
Tony Greenwood, President/St. Peter's Parish Representative
Sr. Joan Schwager/Sisters of Mercy Representative
Georgiana McGriff/System Director
Ann Hamlet, Principal/St. Mary's Elementary School
Fr. J. Friedel, Pastor/St. Peter's Parish

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Fr. Justin Monaghan, Pastor/St. Mary's Parish
Fr. Rahab Isidor, Pastor/Sacred Heart Parish

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

None

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Kathy Schriever/Development Secretary
Chris Churchwell/Finance

GUESTS:

Dr. Norm Ridder, Joplin R-8 Acting Superintendent

President Michael Teeter called the meeting to order.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Several offered.

OPENING PRAYER: Given by Michael Teeter

PRINCIPAL REPORTS: In addition to the reports available online:

Ann Hamlet: St. Mary's Winterfest will be January 21. St. Mary's has received a financial award from Campbell's Soup...details to follow. Events for Catholic Schools Week include the Penny Day competition, Mass with Bishop Rice at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, January 31, and other special events.

St. Peter's/McAuley: Georgiana discussed the positive energy surrounding teachers and students. Mrs. Kowis is preparing students for MSSU's annual History Day. The counseling program led by Sara Mills on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, is going very well. Approximately 13 students have signed up and are eligible for the Missouri A+ Program; the curriculum for this program is being prepared.

DIRECTOR REPORT: In addition to the reports available online:

- The website has been revamped and updated, including a 7-minute video regarding the system. Everyone is encouraged to check out the new site.
- There is a new marketing program for the Early Childhood curriculum.
- There is a severe lack of Professional Development time in the school calendar. Georgiana plans to correct this for the 2017-18 school year.
- Plans for the Auction are going smoothly.
- Grants are being evaluated/pursued.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance: None.

Development/Fundraising: In addition to previously submitted report:

- Approximately \$50,000.00 has been raised of the \$90,000.00 goal. The Phone-A-Thon will begin approximately February 15, which should net additional funds.
- The search for a Development Director is continuing.
- Spring Fling tickets are now available. The cost is \$35, which is much less in previous years, with the goal of creating higher attendance.

Alumni: No report.

Building & Grounds: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Principal Search: Dr. Norm Ridder provided insights on how to best hire a principal. Georgiana talked about her meetings with a recruitment firm. Dr. Ridder encouraged the Board to “shake every low branch” and talk to as many people as possible about potential applicants. He has volunteered his services to evaluate the applications and narrow the search.

Focus Groups: In order to best develop long range plans, and to provide a sense of ownership in JACSS, parishioners, parents, teachers, and students will be invited to join focus groups to provide their suggestions and ideas. The first focus group will center on ideas for a new St. Peter’s/McAuley principal. This meeting will be January 25, 2017 at 6 p.m. in the McAuley Gym.

School Uniforms: GoodFinds is now the pickup/dropoff location for used school uniforms. These uniforms are available free of charge to students.

CLOSING PRAYER: Ann Hamlet

The Board then went into closed session.

NEXT MEETING: February 15, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. to be held at the library at McAuley.