



**St. Gerald's School Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 1, 2014
Library - 7:00 PM**

Present: Michala Jacobson, Fr. Owen Korte, Christy Keenan, James Gilmore, Jennifer Tselentis, Chris Sommers, Dennis Rinkol, Tom Hegarty, Kathy Yochum, Stephanie Jensen

Absent: Alan Kosse

Visitors: None

Minutes: Lori Bauer

Opening: Meeting started with a Prayer

Approval of Minutes: March minutes were approved with 2 changes (fix spelling of roof and add Stephanie to "Present" list).

Principal Report - Michala

- *Kindergarten Round up took place on March 24. Total number attended: 34 - 3 more are attending but due to being out of town and illness were not able to make Kindergarten round up.
- *March 27th our 7th Graders hosted their Science Fair (made the local news – Channel 6 WOWT)
- One of our 7th graders – Sydney Harvat conducted a weather experiment comparing all three meteorologists highlighting Mike LaPoint from Channel 6 as the most accurate forecasts.
- *Successful 3rd – 5th Grade Music Program on Friday, March 28th
- *Walk of Pride Kick off Assembly on Monday, March 31st. Home & School brought in Gross Catholic High School dance team, cheer team, athletes and emcees to help get our students pumped up and celebrate their school spirit.
- *WOP flyers/donation forms went home with youngest and only students.
- *Walk of Pride will take place on Thursday, May 15th during the school day:
 - 9:00 – 9:15 Prayer Service
 - 9:15 – 10:00 Walk around Ralston with Ralston Police escort
 - 10:00 – 11:00 All School assembly with Jeff Quinn & Incentives-awards will be given out
 - 11:15 – 12:40 Home & School will provide lunch for students & staff
 - 1:00 Dismissal
- *April 9th Couples to Couples League “Celebrating Life’s Transitions” presentation for Mother/Daughters and Father/Sons. St. Gerald will host this year. 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. (St. Joan of Arc, Mary Our Queen and St. Robert’s are also invited).
- *Outdoor Education – 6th Grade April 14 & 15
- *Easter/Spring Break: Wednesday, April 16 – 23
- *April 25th Variety Show

- *April 27th 2nd Grade First Communion (9:00 Ackerman & 12:00 noon Wanek)
- *Please pray for Mary Gregg's mother who passed away and Kim Jorgensen's sister who passed away
- *8th Grade play is being moved from April 8th to April 30th
- *Recognize these 8th graders (and others) who were selected for outstanding honors:
- UNL BIG RED STAR award: Ben Bies & Holly Carney
- ROTARTY: Andrew Nigro & Emily Jacobson
- Serra Club Altar Server Awards: Sydney Nickerson, Brianna Albert, Matthew Thiele, Matthew Rinkol, Josh Fowler
- Zaner-Bloser Handwriting State winners: School received \$200 for writing materials, teacher received a crystal trophy and the students a medal. All three winners will advance to the national competition: K-Nadia Skradski, 1- Julian Chantiam and 8 – Emily Jacobson

Handouts:

- *Test Results/Looking at the data (handouts)
- *S.I.P. Phase II – Revisiting the School Mission (handout of S.I.P. phases)
- *School Profile + Additional Information (Phase III) needing revisions and new data needs to be collected from surveys. Survey staff, students and parents (Look at using hard copy or survey monkey)

Assistant to the Principal Report: Staff strained a bit with family illnesses, etc.

Pastor Report

- Guardian Angel Dinner will focus on technology budget next year
- Salary numbers will be in the works/contracts moving out
- Recruitment meetings have begun

Committee Reports

Maintenance

- Devising plan for kitchen, gym ceiling and holes in parking lot

Technology

- Network issues in the last week
- A few more Chrome books being ordered for primary
- Computer On Wheels being used nearly every day

Home and School

- 5/15 Walk of Pride pep rally with Gross High School members
- Online donation system has been setup for WOP
- Kindergarten Round-up a success (34 total in attendance)
- 5/16 Honors breakfast
- Recruitment for H&S in place
- Nobbies wants to donate parade items for 4th of July in Ralston

Athletics

- Athletic Banquet will take place
- Meeting with College of St. Mary for partnership

Parish Council

- Leadership meeting coming up

Misc

- School Mission statement nearly complete
- Board discussed new applicants for SAB
- Thank you to SAB from Jim Heim from Athletic Dept
- Aleks Math may be a possible supplement to Math next year

Action Items:

- Affordable Health Care Act needs to be discussed

Next Meeting: May 13, 2014 at 7:00 pm in School Library

Approved – May 13, 2014