

**Cathedral Parish Board of Education Meeting Agenda
Monday, August 24, 2009**

I. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Steve Harter.

II. Opening Prayer

- Opening prayer was offered by Mary Konradt.

III. Roll Call

- Roll call was taken by Kim Scott.
- Members present were: Very Rev. John Myler, Dr. Kay Bennett, Steve Harter, Jane Stock, Nick Lang, Judy Kelley, Mary Konradt, and Kim Scott.
- Members absent were: Jane Ohl, Michelle Stormant, Randy Bastian, and Scott Warren.
- Guests were: Peggy Schifferdecker

IV. May/July 30, 2009 Meeting Minutes

- a. No additions, corrections, deletions to May/July 30 meeting minutes.

V. Additions to Agenda

- No additions to the agenda.

VI. New Business

a. Parents Club – Peggy Schifferdecker

- Peggy is the current president of the Cathedral Grade School Parents' Club.
- The first meeting will be held September 2, 2009 at 7:00pm in the school cafeteria.
- Parents' Club is considering options for the New Parent Social, which is also a fundraiser.
- The candy drive fundraiser was kicked off Friday, August 21, 2009.
- Discussions ensued regarding the annual Dinner Auction. A new chair for the Auction is needed this year. Dates and locations are still being discussed.

b. Athletics – Mike Phillips-Absent

- No report provided.

c. Parish School of Religion – Jane Stock

- This is Jane's 7th year leading the PSR program.
- Currently, there are 90 children enrolled in the PSR program.
- Jane passed out the new calendar and handbook.

- Corrections on pages 4 and 5 of the handbook were made to properly word the participation in Sunday Mass.
- New faculty changes to the PSR program were reviewed.
- Michael Towle's name was corrected for spelling on page 2 of the handbook.
- Tuition for the PSR program is unchanged from last year.

d. Adult Education – Nick Lang

- Information regarding Lighthouse Catholic Media was discussed. The start of this program would coincide with Catechetical Sunday, September 20, 2009.
- The program offers a variety of professionally recorded presentations from leading Catholic clergy, theologians, and lay speakers.
- The CD's would be available to borrow, or to make a donation and keep.
- Fr. Myler and Fr. Beatty will be hosting classes. Topics such as "How to Read a Church" and "The History of the Church" will be discussed.
- Donna Thro will be hosting "The Pope's Recent Encyclical on the Global Economy".

VII. Old Business

- None discussed

VIII. Principal's Report – Dr. Kay Bennett

- We have had a very positive and encouraging start to the school year.
- We currently have 162 students enrolled. The largest class, grade 5, has 23 students. The smallest is grade 3 with 10 students. Pre-K has 18 students, and the ELC has 5 children enrolled.
- Mrs. McCormack was offered a half-time position as our reading resource teacher. She will be screening students with the new program called Response to Intervention (RtI). This program will help improve overall reading skills.
- Mrs. Zinkan will be teaching Spanish to students in grades 1-4 Monday afternoons. Grades 5-8 will be offered an after school Spanish Club.
- The new lunch program has been well received by both students and teachers. The lunch program has been condensed into 2 periods to allow for more efficient use of the school day.
- Linda Van Loo has devoted a great deal of time to get our computer lab set up for the school year. Teachers now have "slates" and "response clickers" to enhance our technology

program. A Parent Tech. Night will be scheduled to allow parents the opportunity to try out the new technologies.

- We have 2 new teachers this year. Mrs. Niedbalski will be teaching grade 3 and Mrs. Ratkewicz will be teaching grade 4. Mrs. Ratkewicz will also be our volleyball coach.
- A 50th Class Gift of a “slate” for our technology program has been donated to the school.
- Clarification on the girls’ uniform policy regarding P.E. days is as follows: Girls may wear their uniform skirts/jumpers for P.E. as long as they are wearing navy shorts underneath.

IX. Administrator’s Report – Very Rev. John Myler

- No report

X. Committee Reports

a. *Catholic Identity*

- No report

b. Development

- No report

c. Facilities

- No report

d. Planning and Policy

- No report

e. Finance

- No report

f. Executive

- No report

XI. Future Meeting Agenda Items

- None

XII. Executive Session Items

XIII. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 pm by Steve Harter.

XIV. Closing Prayer

- Closing prayer was offered by Fr. Myler.