

**Cathedral Parish Board of Education Meeting Agenda
Monday, November 23, 2009**

I. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Steve Harter.

II. Opening Prayer

- Opening prayer was offered by Nick Lang.

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, Jane Ohl, and Kim Scott.
- Members absent: Michele Storment, and Randy Bastian
- Guests were: Deacon Abraham, Michael Towle, Marvin Thien, and Dave Schmidt.

IV. October, 2009 Meeting Minutes

- a. Nick Lang added the following to the Adult Education: Unused and new CD's can be exchanged with the company for other new titles. Those purchased or used CD's are not in this category. We are trying to set up a program whereby "used" CD's can be made available to parishioners.
- b. Nick Lang made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Jane Stock.

V. Additions to Agenda

- No additions to the agenda.

VI. New Business

a. Parents' Club- Dr. Kay Bennett

- Dinner Auction will be held on March 13, 2010 in the McCormick Center.

b. Athletics – Dave Schmidt

- The TV raffle is going well. The drawing will be held during the Holiday Tournament.
- Girls' Volleyball Diocesan Tournament will be held at Cathedral December 4th -6th.
- Boys' Basketball Holiday Tournament will be held December 10th-12th.
- Athletics is still looking at dates for the Chicken Dinner and Dance in the spring.
- Athletics would like to purchase a crucifix for the gym. Fr. Myler will assist in the selection.

- Athletics has obtained three bids for new bleachers. The new bleachers will be electrically operated. A bid was approved. The removal and construction will be coordinated around the McCormick schedule.
- c. *Teacher's Report – Marvin Thien*
- Mr. Thien explained the textbook adoption cycle.
 - The current Science books are outdated. The books are from 2003, and will be eight years old when it is scheduled to be replaced.
 - Mr. Thien will review costs of new books.
- d. *Teacher's Report- Michael Towle*
- Mr. Towle is teaching 5th-8th grade religion.
 - 5th grade is focusing on the sacraments. 6th grade is studying the Old Testament. 7th grade is covering morality. 8th grade is learning about God's revelations. They are using a book called "Creed". Overtime, they will cover Confirmation preparation.
 - Some religion books will need replacements due to condition, not material.
- e. *Religious Education- Deacon Abraham*
- Deacon Abraham instructs the servers.
 - He would like to set up a schedule with the teachers for a ½ hour per class to talk about Christmas.
- f. *Parish School of Religion- Jane Stock*
- PSR held the Child Protection Training on November 1st and 8th.
 - PSR will divide into three groups to help participate in various Advent activities to help the community.
 - PSR families of 5th grade and above are invited to the December 8th showing of the Fatima movie "The 13th Day".
 - PSR grades 2, 5, and 6 participated in the Messenger's "What We are Thankful" project.
 - PSR will also participate in the Messenger's Christmas Writing Contest.
 - Michael Towle is working on the Parish website.
 - Information is currently passed along via e-mails.
- g. *Adult Education- Nick Lang*
- CD program is going well. We have four CD's that deal with Advent.
 - An excel file might be put together to help organize the titles and place them into the Liturgical Cycle.

- Tickets are on sale through Metrotix for the May1, 2010 conference by Fr. John Corapi.

VII. Old Business

- Kim Scott provided an update on the green space benches.

VIII. Principal's Report – Dr. Kay Bennett

- The Strategic Plan for 2009-2012 was reviewed. A motion to approve the plan was by Nick Lang, and seconded by Jane Stock.
- Grandparents' Day will be celebrated on November 24, 2009.
- A generous trust fund donation was received. This money may be set aside for the parking lot repairs.
- Copies of new policies adopted by the Diocesan Board of Education were handed out.
- ITBS scores were reviewed.
- Jeff Kinney, author of the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series visited our school. Classes from SMSA and St. Teresa's were in attendance.
- Parent/Teacher conference were on Thursday, November 12th. They went very well.
- Renovations of the cafeteria are being discussed.
- Over the Thanksgiving holiday, Barcom will replace all the fire alarm sensors and call boxes. Annual Fund money will be used to cover this expense.

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

- Fr. Myler would like to start a Junior St. Vincent de Paul Society.
- Grades 5-8 will be going to see the new Fatima movie.

X. Committee Reports

- Bylaw committee will meet on November 24, 2009.

XI. Future Meeting Agenda Items

- None.

XII. Executive Session Items

- None.

XIII. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm by Steve Harter.

XIV. Closing Prayer

- Closing prayer was offered by Kim Scott.