

**Cathedral Parish Board of Education Meeting Agenda
Monday, September 28, 2009**

I. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Steve Harter.

II. Opening Prayer

- Opening prayer was offered by Jane Ohl.

III. Roll Call

- Roll call was taken by Kim Scott.
- Members present were: Very Rev. John Myler (arrived at 8:24pm), Dr. Kay Bennett, Steve Harter, Jane Stock, Nick Lang, Judy Kelley, Mary Konradt, Jane Ohl, Michele Storum, Randy Bastian, and Kim Scott.
- Guests were: Deacon Abraham, Amy Toenjes, Dave Schmidt, and Stephanie Skelly.

IV. August 24, 2009 Meeting Minutes

- a. No additions, corrections, deletions to the minutes.
- b. Mary Konradt made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Jane Ohl.

V. Additions to Agenda

- No additions to the agenda.

VI. New Business

a. Parents Club – Amy Toenjes

- The New Parent Social was held at Big Daddy's.
- The first Family Fun event will be held Friday, October 2, 2009. It will be a bon fire at the Millstadt Eckert's.
- Truck or Treat is another Family Fun event that will be at the end of October.
- Discussions ensued regarding the annual Dinner Auction. Dates and locations are still being discussed.

b. Athletics – Dave Schmidt

- Boys' baseball and girls' soccer has ended.
- Cathedral will be hosting the Girls' Volleyball Diocesan Tournament.
- Athletics will have fundraisers this year, including the Chicken Dinner and Dance in the spring.

- c. *Parish School of Religion – Jane Stock*
- Currently, there are 109 children enrolled in the PSR program.
 - Grade 3 has two new teachers.
 - Tuition for the PSR program is unchanged from last year.
 - The first class was held Sunday, September 13, 2009.
 - A Parent Orientation and Open House was held on September 20, 2009.
 - Pictures for 2nd and 8th graders will be taken, and put on display at the church. Parishioners will be asked to pray for the children as they prepare for their sacraments.
 - On October 20 and October 27, 2009, Sr. Tess will offer a Catechist Certification Class.
 - Instead of Operation Christmas Child, PSR will be participating in Toys for Tots for the Catholic Urban Program (CUP).
 - Child Protection Training classes for the students will be held on November 1 and November 8, 2009.

- d. *Adult Education – Nick Lang*
- Great kickoff to the Lighthouse Media CD's.
 - Approximately half of the initial CD's are gone.
 - Each CD is sold for \$3.00, and there is a \$400 profit. New CD's will be purchased with the profits.
 - Possibly will offer a used CD stand, or a lending CD program in the future.
 - The "How to Read a Church" class was very successful.
 - Donna Thro will be providing adult education classes pertaining to "How to Share in the Global Economy".
 - The "History of the Church" class is not yet set up.

VII. Old Business

- None discussed

VIII. Principal's Report – Dr. Kay Bennett

- The part time ELC program is now operational. Two new students have since joined the program.
- Mrs. Zinkan has begun teaching Spanish for grades 1-4. Currently, only two students in grades 5-8 have expressed an interest in after school Spanish.
- The Tuesday before Thanksgiving, Cathedral will be hosting "Grandparents' Day". The day will consist of breakfast for the guests, a tour of the classrooms, and finally an all school Mass.
- Ms. Sandra Magnus, the astronaut, will be at the McCormick Center on October 16, 2009 at 12:30 pm. She will present a short film and a question/answer period. Surrounding schools

have been invited to attend. Approximately 600 students will be in attendance.

- Mr. Jeff Kinney, author of “The Diary of a Wimpy Kid” series, will present a lecture and an award to Thomas Fields, one of our 8th graders, on November 5, 2009.
- The Christmas Concert is scheduled for December 15, 2009. It will feature both the band and choral concert.
- Julia Piper Jung will be responsible for the weekly press releases.
- An ad for Cathedral was placed in the Mainstreet Belleville flyer. This ad will contain a hyperlink to the school’s website.
- Mrs. Mary Anne Harla initiated our first devotions to our “First Friday Adoration”. She has invited other parents to spend some time with their child(ren)’s class.
- State evaluation is scheduled for January 20, 2010. Linda Van Loo has been assisting Dr. Kay Bennett is gathering the necessary materials.
- Team members for the state evaluation are: Ms. Claire Hatch (parochial administrator) and Mr. Lynn Clapp (public school team member). Members from our Diocesan office as well as the Regional Superintendent of Schools will be at the school.
- The copier located in the school’s library was shown to belong to Cathedral. No discrepancies were found with its serial number.
- Cathedral will have \$4000 from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to purchase extra materials such as leveled readers.
- The Title I teacher, Rebecca Jenkins, is at the school 3 hours per week.
- Sharon McCormack, with the Rtl program, works mainly off teacher recommendations.

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

- No report

X. Committee Reports

- Steve Harter indicated that a new Legislation Action Person (LAP) is needed. This individual would assist in Catholic action letters.
- Discussions regarding the current status of by-laws showed that a committee to rewrite the by-laws was necessary.

a. Catholic Identity

- Mary Anne Harla would like to be considered for this committee.

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 (8:33 pm-9:08 pm)

XIII. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 pm by Steve Harter.

XIV. Closing Prayer

- Closing prayer was offered by Jane Stock.