

Shepherd of the Hills Catholic School

School Commission Minutes

Tuesday January 8, 2019 – 6:00pm

“Walking the path of Christ, with Love and Service, through a Catholic Education”

Members Present: Joe Loehr (Chairperson), Amy Royes (Principal), Sarah Desiderio (Fundraising Chair), Christina Meyer (Secretary), Libby Gnadl (Vice-Chair), Betsey Gitter (Marketing and Recruitment Chair), Tim Hanlon (Pastoral Council Rep), Chris Gellings

Members Absent: Barb Grzywinski (Home and School Liaison)

Other Attendees: Fr. Mark, Alyssa Mogensen, Robbi Hughes

I. School Good News:

- a. Popcorn machine funds were donated and new machine was ordered.
- b. Accreditation has reached mid-year check up, the website is accumulating evidence.
- c. Teachers are performing peer evaluations and providing feedback to one another for professional growth.
- d. Math resources are being examined for best practices for professional development.
- e. Dr. Kraemer a science professor from Concordia College will be instructing SOTH teachers how to teach STREAM to the students.
- f. Grade 7 will have a separate math class teacher from Grade 8.
- g. Amy applied and received a grant for the John Michael Kohler Art Center for Grade 5.
- h. Michels in FDL is sponsoring a career exploration day which SOTH students will be attending at no charge.
- i. Catholic Schools Week is approaching and Amy would like to utilize parents as teachers.
- j. St. Lawrence Seminary will be holding an experience day for SOTH students to visit and learn about the school.
- k. Amy is holding the first Wellness Way educational night for SOTH parents.

II. Principal's Report:

- a. Archdiocese is transitioning to Standards based grading.
 - i. Amy will be meeting January 10, 2019 with Arch for further instruction.

- ii. Dr. Tom Roy will be training SOTH teachers on Standards based grading.
 - iii. Amy will be requesting an appointment with Finance Committee to examine providing cash reserves for emergency situations.
 - 1. Joe Desiderio would like to discuss the Athletic Committee and Silver Shepherds.
 - 2. Barb Welsch would like to discuss auction moneys.
 - b. Amy presented the idea of the Trent Schueffner tuition reward.
 - c. Amy will be meeting with Bob Teofilo on budget matters and the availability of monies for staff raises.
- III. Business-November meeting minutes were approved.
 - a. Parent/Parishioner Comments
 - i. Joe Loehr had a question concerning estimating in the math curriculum.
 - ii. Betsey Gitter raised a question about about parent's education in Standards based grading. Amy responded that Tom Roy would be meeting with the parents to explain the process.
 - b. Pastoral Council-Commissions included group reports
 - i. Much information was shared
 - ii. A group for grandparents was suggested.
- IV. Standing Committee Reports:
 - a. Executive Policy: Wellness committee needs to be added to the by-laws.
 - b. Budget and Fundraising:
 - i. Dinner Auction will be selling Golden Tickets again.
 - c. Long Range Planning: No Report
 - d. Marketing/Recruitment: K3-Grade 3 drew pictures and Christmas greetings to be included in letters sent to surrounding families inviting them to the open house.
 - e. Home and School: Very busy with Grandparent's Day, Catholic Schools Week, Middle School Dance, Parent/teacher Conferences.
- V. Parking Lot:Empty
- VI. Next meeting will be February 5, 2019 starting at 4:15pm-?
 - a. Meeting will consist of helping Amy with manuals for Accreditation.