

St. Mary's Catholic Church—Tracy, MN
Education Committee Meeting Agenda
March 30, 2017 at 7:00pm
Church Office Meeting Room

- I. Call to Order – Chairman Dale Johnson
- II. Opening prayer – Father
- III. Roll call – John, Heather, Dale, Laurie, Amy, Father, Mary
- IV. Approval of agenda
- V. Approval of Minutes from meeting of, January 23, 2017
- VI. Financial reports - Nothing at this time.
- VII. Unfinished business – Nothing at this time.
- VIII. Administrators Reports
 - a. Religious Education – Valentines Dinner went well. Confirmation is 11/12/17. There are frozen food items which need to be sold. Amy will send a list to Laurie to email to families. April 22nd is First Communion Retreat with First Communion being May 7th. Whopper feed is April 26th which is also last day of classes. Bachelorette is May 21st. Amy is looking at summer camps to get Jr. High kids more involved. She will send opportunities to Laurie to email to families.
 - b. Adult Education – Classes will be finishing soon. Getting ready for Easter.
 - c. Principal
 1. Accreditation Update – **Tuesday April 24th 7:00am** – Board to meet @ 7:00am at the school to meet with accreditation team.
 2. Preschool Open House – Attendance was outstanding. There is the possibility of having more than 10 students attend next year. If so we will have to look at hiring a para. Kindergarten Open House – set for April 5th @ 9:30am
 3. Next Year Classes – Board to meet **Wednesday April 25th 3:00pm** to discuss what we will do with next year's classes. Concern will be the 3rd/4th grade combination.
 4. Faculty Letters of Intent – Ashley is coming back. Jan and Vicki are not. At the time of the meeting the others have not turned in their letters with a deadline of April 10th.
 5. Calendar – Reviewed 2017/2018 school calendar. Laurie will finalize.
 6. St. Mary's Philosophy of Assessment – Adopted as new policy by board.
 7. School Pictures – Decided to go with Devereaux Photography.
- IX. New Business
 - a. Pads on walls in gym – Will hold off at this point. If we decide to paint the gym it would be easier to paint and then install Pads.
 - b. Budget Cuts – Need to look at cutting costs. Discussed not hiring a music teacher and will hand the job off to a current teacher.
 - c. Windows – At this time we will not fix the windows.

- d. Water Softener \$3,799.00 + install
- e. Tuition costs – Agreed to raise the cost of tuition from \$1825 to \$1850. Discussed increasing \$25 each year so we don't have to increase \$100 at a time. We also decided not to raise tuition rates for Preschool. We already had Preschool open house and handed out brochures with current pricing. We will discuss raising the fees January 2018 so we can update brochures prior to Preschool open house.
- f. Tuition Assistance Program – Need to have an application deadline beginning of summer so awards can be presented mid-summer. Families need to know prior to start of school if they will have tuition assistance so they can make plans on where their children will go to school. (Only awarded to families K-6th)
- g. Staff computers – Teachers are experiencing a lot of issues with their new computers. Laurie will contact salesman and figure out what to do.
- h. Ipads apps – Tabled for next month
- i. New board Members – we need to replace 2 members. Please think of who we may want to approach.
- j. Picnics –
 - a. **Family Picnic May 18th @ 6:00pm.** Laurie will notify families now so they can start to plan for it. Chris has a letter/invite she sends home each year.
 - b. **Staff Picnic May 25th 5:00pm** – Board members bring items. (Heather – I didn't have you on the list because I thought you said you couldn't make it but if you can feel free to volunteer for something☺.)
 - I. Grill hamburgers/hotdogs – All
 - II. Salad – Mary
 - III. Beans – Tony used to...anyone want to volunteer or bring another side?
 - IV. Dessert – John L
 - V. Buns & Chips – Eric
 - VI. Refreshments & Salad – Dale
- k. Gym/ Other Capital improvement projects – Current list of items we should look at fixing –
 - a. Gym: Paint, Fix floor, Scoreboard, Basketball hoop supports, sound system
 - b. Heating/ventilation issues
 - c. Sump pump drainage issues – Dale mentioned this would be an easy fix; someone needs to make sure the hoses stay away from the building. Currently they go over the sidewalks and pedestrians move/kick them in order to use sidewalk.
 - d. Soft water system - \$3,799.00 + install

X. Next Meeting – April 27th @ 6:00pm

XI. Adjournment

"St. Mary's is a Christ-Centered school where all enter to learn and exit to serve."