

St. Pius X Board of Total Catholic Education

Unofficial Minutes – April 18, 2006

7:00 PM

Parish Meeting Room K

- I. The meeting was opened with a prayer. Board members present: Jack Kaelin, Carrie Schuler, Peggy Clark, Mary Jo Bowman, Janet Cropper, Jan Hanser, Jim Rennekamp, Erin McGeever, Betty Trenkamp, Diane Raker, Krista Wilmink, Amy Neltner, Dan Ryan, and Patty Wolff.
- II. February 2006 minutes were approved (March meeting was cancelled due to weather) – Mary Jo Bowman 1st, Jan Hanser 2nd.
- III. Copies of approved/signed policies were distributed.
- IV. Reports:
 - A. Pastor – Father clarified the role of PC Finance Committee versus BOTCE/Principal. PC Finance sets the amount of total expenditure for the year. The Principal creates the budget and goes through it with the BOTCE Finance subcommittee in advance of the meeting with PC Finance. The board should then go to bat for the Principal and DRE as needed. In the future, the 5 year plan will provide a tool to make this review simpler and the support more effective. It was also discussed that when money is tight, one big fundraiser is more effective than many small ones, and that we should all work together to find methods for alternate funding.
 - B. Parish Council – report sent via e-mail listing old and new business items.
 - C. DRE – See Attachment I for notes provided by Miss McGeever. Additional discussion: 1) BOTCE's help was requested for the final CCD dinner to be held on 5/8. 2) The Youth Ministry will start again in the Fall. 3) May crowning – a request was made to hold a school based ceremony along with the Parish May Crowning. Father stated that this is a parish based devotion and will not be split.
 - D. Principal – See Attachment II for notes provided by Miss Trenkamp. In addition a draft of the 5 year plan was reviewed including objectives, goals, and strategies. The tactics are still being worked. A copy of the 2006/07 school calendar was provided.
 - E. Finance – The proposed 6.5% tuition increase was reviewed and approved (Motion -Patty Wolff, Dan Ryan 2nd, approved by majority). A suggestion was made to evaluate, and possibly increase, the technical fee for '08.
 - F. Academic and Catechist committee will meet with Miss Trenkamp and Miss McGeever before the next meeting to perform the assessments. A suggestion was made to complete the proposed by-law changes during the next BOTCE meeting. Miss McGeever mentioned that two longstanding CCD teachers were leaving the program this year. She suggested that BOTCE provide a

special recognition of their efforts. Father approved and Jan Hanser and Janet Cropper offered to take care of getting an appreciation gift.

- G. Public Relations – Mary Jo Bowman will place a notice in the Paw Prints and the Bulletin to solicit nominations which will be due by May 7th. The Florence Wormwold/Rita Ward scholarship has been awarded.
 - H. Planning Committee –Mary Jo Bowman will compile the survey information and made a written recommendation to Miss Trenkamp and Mrs. Raker. The information regarding conferences will also be compiled.
- V. The next BOTCE meeting is on May 16, 2006, 7:00 pm, Parish Meeting Room K.
- VI. The meeting was closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Patty Wolff

Attachment I

RCIA: We welcomed 12 new converts to the parish at the Easter Vigil. Our Thursday night sessions turn now to reflections on the mysteries of the faith. We will be meeting until May 11th.

Pre-School CCD: Closing ceremony will be on Sunday, April 30th at 2:00 pm

Registration for next year is open for both new families and previously enrolled families.

CCD: Currently reenrolling families and additional siblings. New families are being accepted as they call or express interest. I know of two children who are enrolling out of the CCD and into the school at this point. Our closing mass and family dinner is on Monday, May 8th. Dinner starts at 5:45 and mass is at 7:00pm Awards are given after the mass.

CLOW: May is the last month for the Children's Liturgy of the Word.

Adult Faith Formation: On sabbatical until the fall because of busy spring schedules.

Diocesan Catechist Day will be here on Saturday, October 7th. The keynote speaker is Father

Tim Schehr from the Athenaeum.

First Communions: Are scheduled for Sunday, May 7th at 11:30 and 1:30 pm

Practices with pictures are: M - Z Tuesday, May 2nd 7:00 pm

A - L Wednesday, May 3rd 7:00 pm

I met with volunteer parents and we are working on final plans for the Sacrament.

May Crowning: Monday, May 15th starting with rosary at 7:00 pm and Crowning Service to follow. It would be helpful to see the balifields and the gym closed for this event.

Adult Confirmation: We will be held at the Cathedral on Sunday, June 4th at 10:00 am.

St. Pius Nite at the NKU Newman Center is tomorrow night, April 19th from 5:45 - 7:00 pm We are looking for a good turnout of students from the parish.

Parish Workday in the Community: This annual event is scheduled for Saturday, June 3rd at the various worksites. Sign ups coming soon...

Family Nights: Returns after the Lenten sabbatical with "Party on the Parking Lot" featuring John Kruer on Friday, May 5th in conj unction with the Fish Fry.

Miscellaneous Works of the DRE...

Heritage Brunch for the parish's senior citizens is Sunday, May 21st starting with the 11:30 am mass. High School Senior Brunch for the parish's high school seniors is Sunday, June 4th starting with the 11:30 am mass. Diocesan Catechetical Leadership Reception is May 11th at 4:30 pm here in Milligan Hall.

Attachment II

- Testing is completed for grades 3,5,6 &7.
- + NEW START TIME OF 7:15am begins Thursday. This is to make up for the snow day in March.
- NAVOP's trips are now beginning. On Friday is a special trip requested by Senator Jim Bunning. Our students have been asked to run the simulator for him to show him the benefits of the program.
- I have been asked to speak to a Leadership Class for Doctor Bowman on Wednesday April 26th. I will be speaking to a group of potential administrators for the Diocese.
- + An Internet safety talk will be held on April 26th at 7pm? In Milligan Hall. Mrs. Voorhees has set this talk up with the FBI. Everyone is invited. School and CCD parents especially.
- OPEN HOUSE will be On April 27th from 6:30 — 8:00 pm. All BOTCE members are invited to attend. All prospective and registered new families have also been invited.
- + Notification of hiring or non-rehiring is required by April 30th• As requested by the Diocese, no reasons are to be given. However, I have already met with every teacher and told them of my expectations. If they have not complied, they should know the reason for not being rehired.
- + Uniform measurement day will be on May 1st in the conference rooms.
- + Theme Week is a new adventure for us this year. We have chosen Baseball as our theme. All classrooms should try to center their lessons around baseball. Special activities will also take place. For example; all grades will visit the Reds Hall of Fame during the week, Speakers are currently being sought out, in subject areas special lessons will occur - PE baseball skills, baseball songs in music, math skills such as arc, circumference, distances, stats,etc., and in baseball in history, etc. Teachers are preparing special worksheets and websites, writing and jersey day. All in all our plan is to try to connect learning information to the real world in a fun way. The children will then see the purpose for learning and have fun doing it.
- + Field days will be on May 22 — 24, the band will have a concert on the 24th, the Chorus will perform on the 21st, Step up day and promotion will be on the 31st
- + Promotion will be in the evening on the 31st with mass beginning at 7pm. • The last day of school is June 2nd with dismissal at 11:30