

May 2011 Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: May 2, 2011 at 6:00 PM

Present: Zack DeLeon, Pam Eltringham, Father Kessler, Jason Leach, Rick Maynard, Sheryl Meyers, Will Sharp, Kerry Sheridan-Boyd

Absent: Matthew Neighbor

Opening Prayer: Kerry Sheridan-Boyd

Review of Previous Minutes: Reviewed April minutes. Father requested a few changes to Pastor's section. Motion to approve (as amended): DeLeon, 2nd Maynard.

Old Business:

- Potential school board member bios were in the bulletin for: Jodi Funk, Regina Long, Robert May, Kim Ortiz & Jennifer Spiegel.
- Next weekend ballots in the pews. Request current school board members to make announcements prior to masses.
- Suggestion of a June meeting - allow for school board officer nominations, as well as debrief from the Lancaster Catholic Elementary School Advisory Boards Joint Meeting.

Principal's Report: Pam Eltringham

- St. Bernadette has received full accreditation regarding the school improvement plan submitted in March.
- 2nd graders received the sacrament of 1st Penance on April 10th. Thanks to Father Kessler for arranging the service which included the parish, and inviting area priests to assist.
- Alumni News:
 - Bella Honaberger and Sydney Frank were participants in the Lancaster Arts & Civics production of The Tale of Snow White.
 - Allie McCrady, Megan Conley, Catherine Carr, Corbin Swisher, and Kylie Carbol competed in the district Science Fair held at OUL. Allie McCrady and Kylie Carbol qualified to compete at the state level at OSU.
 - Eli Frazier, Nick Santino, and Karli Wright are members of the "Battle of the Books" team and competed at Bishop Hartley.
- Seminarians from the Josephinum will be visiting on May 17th. They will be cycling from Columbus and will meet with our 4th and 5th graders before moving on to Fisher.
- Several Diocesan schools contacted to determine their handheld devices & games policies. Heard back from 8 and waiting for a couple more responses. Discussion began with staff but 2 teachers at Pilgrim Hills so just preliminary.
- Enrollment: have 6 outstanding enrollment forms from current families, but next years numbers are
 - 4 year program full at 24
 - K - 20
 - 1st - 23
 - 2nd - 25
 - 3rd - 20
 - 4th - 21
 - 5th - 16

Teachers' Report: Pam Eltringham

Preschool: So close to the end of the year! Finishing the alphabet. Study of butterflies. Just visited Alley Park to study birds and next visit will be to Rising Park.

- **Kindergarten:** Learned the letters Xx, Jj, Qq, Yy, and will finally learn Zz next week to finish the alphabet. In Math have been working on graphing, tally marks, and probability. We will finish they year learning about addition and subtraction. In Religion class we learned about Holy Week and Easter. This month we are writing letters to the parish shut-ins.
- **First Grade:** Reading – finishing last reading story and then are going to be reading a variety of trade books. Math – working on measurement and probability. Science-learning about magnets. Health – learning about Drugs and Alcohol.

- **Second Grade:** Math-3 digit addition and subtraction. Science-Weather and seed/plant experiments. Social Studies-Producers and consumers as well as goods and services. Reading- Author and Illustrators and how a book is made. Health- Drug awareness. Religion-Preparing for 1st Communion.
- **Third Grade:** Math– finished geometry, working on fractions and decimals, practicing multiplication and division. Science-studying physical and chemical changes. Social Studies-government, 3 branches, 3 levels. Health-Medicine and drugs. Language Arts-finishing our last unit studying describing words, adjectives and adverbs. Big News...had one chick hatch after 2 tries. It will be going home with Makaila Moses. Preparing for Cinco de Mayo:
- **Fourth Grade:** Language Arts-heading in last unit and finishing reading '*Blubber*' by Judy Blume. Math-Learning about Geometry and Algebra. Health – Finishing up lessons on Communicable and Chronic Diseases. Heading into Community and Environmental Health. Ohio-Had a great time at the State House! Discussing Ohio's Economy and looking forward to having our guest speaker com in and extend our lessons in Economics. Religion-Forgive us our Trespasses, The importance of using the Bible as a way to reflect on God's mercy and forgiveness.
- **Fifth Grade:** Had a great time at camp. May 13 field trip scheduled to downtown Lancaster. Religion-Concentrating on the sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick. Math-Angles and Polygons, circles, and symmetry. Science-Space exploration. Health-Puberty, First Aid and CPR. Social Studies-Studying reconstruction of the South after the Civil War.
- **Enrichment/Interest Groups:** No Report
- **Library:** K-Eric Carle Author Study. 1st-Reading Patricia Pollacco books. 2nd-Compare and contrasting of Fairy tales (Cinderella, Goldilocks, Snow White). 3rd-Reading Hans Christian Anderson tales. 4th-Reading '*Swindle*' by Gordon Korman. 5th-'*Tom Sawyer*' (comic form).
- **Music:** No Report
- **Nurse:** No Report

Home & School: Kerry Sheridan-Boyd

- May 26 volunteer appreciation night.
- Discussing barn clean out.
- Parent information night in August will include Mr. Rider and Mr. Silcott
- Next meeting May 4, 2011 @ 7 pm. Allison Bruno hosting.

Pastor's Report: Father Kessler

- Request all attend the Wednesday May 4, 2011 meeting at St. Mark.

St. Mary Report: Report submitted to Father by Eric McCrady. No updates to report.

Fisher Report: Report submitted to Father by Mitzi Neighbor. No updates to report.

New Business:

- None at this time.

Adjourn: Motion: Leach, 2nd DeLeon.

Next Meeting: June 7, 2011 @ 6 pm.

*Approved on September 12, 2011