

School Committee Meeting

September 27, 2018

5:00pm

- I. School Handbook Updates:
 - a. Working at looking at it with staff and then school committee
 - b. Come to consensus as to what is in there
 - c. Some items need to be changed such as dress code, tuition, tuition assistance, and delinquent tuition
 - d. For homework, we will look at the handbook and come to the next meeting with revision suggestions.
 - e. Will send home electronically and have signed sheet go home to parents for signatures
 - f. Will bold any changes so parents can easily see any changes from last year
- II. School Dress Code
 - a. What is the purpose of the dress code?
 - i. Sets the tone for learning; students are about learning.
 - ii. Needs clarification
 - iii. Leggings on a kindergartener look different than on an 8th grader
 - iv. Athletic t-shirts, logo t-shirts, and athletic pants are only allowed on Fridays. The rest of the week needs to be modest dress that sets a tone for learning.
 - b. Mrs. Goulet is not afraid to approach a child that is wearing inappropriate clothing.
 - c. Overall, there does not seem to be a problem. Sometimes people
- III. Teacher Recruitment
 - a. Will start after January 1st to recruit for next year
 - b. Sent out notices to all colleges in west and northeast
 - c. Salary is a stopper for many
 - d. Has been told not to hire right now
 - e. Suggestion was made to split upper grades versus younger grades.
 - f. Suggestion was also made to help recruit teachers by offering them to bring their own children here for free/no tuition. This would be a perk for those with kids who teach here.
- IV. Marketing of the School
 - a. Putting things in weekly bulletin for OLLH
 - b. Had signs made
 - c. Things in the newspaper
 - d. Open House for parishoners
 - e. Send info to other parishes inviting them to see what our school offers
 - f. State that all students are welcome to attend here, not just Catholics
 - g. Send more pictures and snipits to The View (John Bonke) to print
 - h. Maybe teachers could post pics to school's page versus just class pages so community members could see what is occurring in the school

- V. Parish Open House
 - a. Sometime in Spring have an open house for parishoners to come
- VI. Water Quality and Testing
 - a. Concerns that we need to have the water tested
 - b. HSC is in process of replacing water fountains with filters
 - c. Suggestion is to test water both before new fountains are put in and after
 - d. Ask buildings and grounds committee to check into this issue; Beth will ask Nick Gornowich who is on that committee
- VII. Christmas Program
 - a. Thursday, December 20th
 - b. Been reserved at the Community House
 - c. More practices done in the classroom to alleviate time away from classroom
 - d. Shorter performance; less travel for practice
- VIII. Back & Current Tuition
 - a. Gone to Finance Committee
 - b. Will be using a Collection Agency
 - c. Mrs. Goulet has drafted a letter to give option to contact her or Father to set up a plan and a timeline so that if they not follow through, it will go to a collection agency.
 - d. Mrs. Goulet has made phone calls to parents, calls to collection agency, and some have already come in to start paying back.
 - e. All current familes are signed up for FACTS.
- IX. Emergency procedures
 - a. Have completed 2 fire drills, tornado drills, and lock-down drills
 - b. Cinch sacks purchased through thirty one fundraiser for each classroom to contain medical supplies
 - c. One large medical bag donated last year is located in high school office for use as well
- X. Early Release Staff Development
 - a. Working on school expectations, PBIS updates, *Step Up to Writing* training by HISD starts in November and goes through January.
- XI. Sacramental Prep – as parents, contact Father George with concerns about time away at night for OLLH students when they have Religion during the day
- XII. Technolgy
 - a. Great reviews from middle school on Kindles. They really like them
 - b. Computers in library – up to 15 working and it is in progress. Tami has been updating them and doing a great job.
 - c. Internet update – with the updates on computers