

December 9th, 2014

I C School Council Meeting

Those in attendance were Fr. Mike, Fr. Paul, Jeff Mollenhoff, Doug Kannas, Pete Bauman, Brent Volesky, Angel Oltjenbruns and Carol Dagel.

Fr. Paul opened with a prayer.

Jeff opened the meeting and asked Ray to read the minutes from the October 14, 2014 meeting. One correction, the minutes should read '5th and 6th' grade instead of 'junior high'. Approved with that correction.

Angel gave the Financial Report. Nothing seems to stand out of the ordinary. There was an 18% increase in the cost of health insurance. Premiums for health insurance raised to \$556/single, \$1,298/Emp&Child, \$1,453/Family. The school pays 75% of the single rate, and 50% of the family. The budget will be alright for this year because the new teacher's insurance did not start until November. The dinner theater dates are set for January 30th and 31st. There is a need for donations for items to be auctioned.

Fr. Mike talked about a couple issues on the Watertown Catholic School Charter, he felt there were a couple issues that need to be addressed.

Mrs. Dagel presented the Principal's Report. The Advent Project had donations of 139 lbs. of coins. She then discussed the problems with moving the pre-school plus program to the Holy Name School building. Computer shortage, parents with children in two buildings, etc. make it difficult to set up there. An idea is to switch computer lab to a moving lab where the computers move on a cart to the room where the children need to take the course. This would free up one room. Another thought was to move the library to free up that room.

Fr. Paul talked about the two Task Force meetings that have been held. We discussed promotion of the school and different ideas of doing so. We then discussed what direction we would like to see the Task Force go. Pete made a motion that Fr. Paul and/or Fr. Mike would assign projects for the Task Force to go forward with based on School Committee recommendations. Seconded, passed.

Teachers' salaries were discussed because the public schools are looking for help and will be recruiting teachers from private schools. Where are we compared to the Watertown Public School and also to other Catholic schools around the area? Our teachers start at a \$26,800 salary. We seem to be within \$5000/year of the Watertown Public School salaries.

Fr. Mike closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Kranz