

I C School Council Meeting April 8th, 2014

Fr. Mike opened with a prayer.

Those present were Fr. Rutten, Fr. Wensing, Mrs. Dagele, Jeff Mollenhoff, Doug Kannas, Doug Sattler, and Ray Kranz. Brett Volesky was attending by phone. Pete Bauman was absent.

We started with a tour of the Holy Name School building.

Following the tour, Ray handed out a copy of the minutes of the March 11th meeting. Minutes were approved as handed out.

The financial report was handed out by Angel. More details of the upcoming year are becoming clearer. A new kindergarten teacher has been hired. This year's budget looks to be running as predicted. Cenex has come out with a card giving 3% back for purchases there. A company called Smart Tuition is offering to collect tuition fees for the school. They would charge a 2.65% fee for credit card transactions and late fees for late payments after the first late payment. This would take the school out of the collection business. They will also take care of after school tuition fees, etc. They also have a \$40 per family annual fee. The Sioux Falls diocese brought this company in to help schools with the collection process. A motion was made to use this service, seconded. Motion carried. Motion was then made to add \$40 tuition to the first child's tuition cost to cover the fee, seconded and approved. There was a motion to approve a \$25 non-refundable registration fee for the upcoming year. It was seconded and approved.

The principal report was then handed out by Mrs. Dagele. Discussion was held on attire worn by teachers and having them follow the Faculty Dress Code. The Council agreed that leggings will no longer be considered acceptable to the dress code. The Code will be much more strictly enforced next year. Mrs. Stewart, our librarian, would like to see the library open during the summer months for a few hours every week. Due to the fact the parents of the school are not necessarily close in perimeter to the school, it was decided not to have the library open during the summer. Most of the members thought the Watertown Public Library would be better used for this function.

The School Vision for the next 5-10 years was then discussed. Fr. Paul handed out a four part questionnaire about what makes a Catholic School education. We discussed where we are going as a top quality Catholic education that provides good moral values.

Fr. Paul closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Kranz