

St. Joseph School
School Board Minutes
April 14, 2008

Members Present: Todd Gregoire, Todd Rogers, Joan Boddicker, Mark Bradshaw, Sue Jaeger (Out-of-Parish, St. Victoria)
Ex-Officio Members: Maggie Smith, Bonnie Delaney
Visiting: Christian Miller

Call to Order 6:30 (Closed Session)
Approved the minutes of March 10, 2008.

Open meeting 6:45

1. Home and School Association

- Tammy Schlietzke asked for clarification on the role of the Home and School Association for next year with regard to fundraising.
- The Home and School Association should find volunteers to run all existing fundraisers, except candy bars, which we will visit again next spring.

(Closed Session 7:00)
(Open Session 8:45)

2. Open Board Seats

- We have additional seats opening after the June meeting.
- If Christian joins he will take Sharon's seat, which is up next year.
- Maggie and Todd G. will review possible candidates.

3. Development Directors

- Maggie spoke with a Development Director at another school who said it is reasonable to budget for such person to fundraise an amount equal to their salary.
- There is a possibility to hire a Consulting firm to do this job.
- Sue indicated that Mary Stenerson offered to help in screening applicants.
- We can move forward with interviewing both consulting firms and individuals until we decide what will best fit the needs of the school.

4. Technology Committee

- The current computer proposal is over the budget for next year.

- Removing macbooks and printers could get us close to the budget.
- Todd R. and Maggie will look at the numbers and see if we can get the Apple lease to fit within the budget.

5. Athletic Committee

- Don Whitaker is stepping down and a replacement has not been found.
- We have several soccer and baseball teams for the summer.
- The Board accepts the report.

6. Home and School Night

- Parents raised issues regarding the comparability of Learnia test numbers
- We need to get testimonials from parents who have experienced the Challenge and Reinforcement programs.
- Maggie will talk with the teachers about getting a Learnia information and “smarter than a 5th Grader” night.
- Todd will work on getting testimonials.

7. Marketing

- Sue discussed the need to have a strategic marketing plan that would be put together by the Development Director.
- We should start working on something that would give the Development Director a head start.
- The Board agrees with the need for the marketing plan and will accept help from Sue or other Board members as their schedules allow.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45.

The next meeting will be May 12, 2008 6:30 in Room 211.