

Diocesan School Council
Meeting Minutes
Monday, July 25, 2011

Present: Julia Taylor, Suzanne Drummond, Mary DeLetter, Elizabeth Greer, Susan Wallace and Sally Stevens
Absent: Kathleen Quigley, Fr. Noel Zamora, John Morgan, Shannon Johnson, and Sr. Lenore Thomas
Exofficio: Tim Weaver
Recording Secretary: Linda Ulanday
Guest: Principals: Karen Thomas, Christ the King and Lee Coomer, Seton Catholic

I. Welcome and Opening Prayer

At 12:45 p.m. Tim Weaver opened the meeting with prayer before lunch.

II. Approval of May 23, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Due to lack of quorum, voting will take place at the September 26, 2011 meeting.

III. Approval of the July 25, 2011 Agenda and Additional Items

The agenda was unanimously approved with the addition of the SCRIPS Program update to section VIII. Other Business.

IV. Welcome and introduction of new members

Tim Weaver introduced our new board members Susan Wallace, Elizabeth Greer and principal representative Sally Stevens. He also introduced our visiting principals Lee Coomer and Karen Thomas. Each shared something about themselves.

V. Superintendent's Report

a. Personnel

Tim Weaver reported on principal leadership changes for school year 2011-2012.

- Sts. Peter and Paul Regional School, Lexington; principal Cathy Cybriwsky
- St. Mary School, Paris; principal Melody Thompson
- Good Shepherd School, Frankfort; Dean of Students, Sr. Lenore Thomas
- St. Camillus Academy, Corbin; co-principals, Sr. Mary Bezold and Dorothy Smith
- Our Lady of the Mountains School, Paintsville; Sr. Lillian Jordan, RSM

b. Programs

Tim Weaver reported the Fiscal Agency Agreement for the MAP testing program has been finalized. A presentation of this new testing program will be made at the August 9, 2011 Professional Development Day for Teachers and Administrators. In depth training on the use of the program will take place before the beginning of the school year for all diocesan schools except three schools, who are already trained on the use of the program, Christ the King, Seton Catholic and St. Leo schools.

Tim Weaver asked the principals present to share the activities for 2011-2012.

1. Lee Coomer, principal at Seton Catholic shared the following.

- Notebooks for the students
- Adopting Pearson Math Program which is suited to the student's needs
- Adopting Step by Step Stewardship program starting September 3, 2011 as part of their Religion classes. Each grade will have a different stewardship level goal.

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- On August 9, 2011 Seton and Christ the King teachers will meet for a four hour training session with Karen Reynolds from the University of Kentucky. She will help the teachers review and interpret the MAP testing reports.
- Seton and Sts. Peter and Paul Regional School are partnering in the sports of football and Soccer.
- Enrollment is 473, up from last year's enrollment of 461

2. Karen Thomas, Principal at Christ the King

- Implementation of RenWeb school management software. Unique login for parents will provide them access to their children's progress and hold them accountable. Various online forms will also be provided.
- Enrollment is up. The 3 year old preschool has been added this year.
- Infrastructure is being updated. Classrooms will have notebooks. Math and Science programs will have IPADs.

3. Sally Stevens, principal at Lexington Catholic High School

- Implementation of RenWeb school management software
- Enrollment down due to economic conditions
- Implementation of the Exemplar Scholars Program, an Institute for Excellence in Math, Science, and Technology
- Implementation of upgraded technology in all labs
- Concern about money, financial assistance needed
- Serve the needs of the Hispanic population

VI. Election of Officers for 2011-2012

Due to lack of quorum, voting will take place at the September 26, 2011 meeting.

VII. Revisit Strategic Plan from 2010-2011

Tim Weaver asked the group to review the 2010-2011 Strategic Goals. He plans to move forward with future meetings with the Marketing Committee during 2011-2012.

Discussion took place on the various types of testing norms used to monitor student progress and measure the effectiveness of instruction. Note the Kentucky Department of Education has implemented the MAP testing program in all public schools for school year 2011-2012.

VIII. Other Business for Discussion

- a. Discussion took place on the SCRIPS program as it was presented at the last MBA meeting in June 2011. Tim Weaver will contact the Jim Mattingly at the Diocese of Owensboro and discuss their implementation of this program.
- b. St. Camillus Academy will implement IPAD technology this year
- c. St. Agatha Academy will start a new preschool program. There is a waiting list.
- d. St. Mary School would like to build a new school. A major donor wants to invest in this project. Tim Weaver presented an architect drawing of the new school plan.

IX. Prayer and Adjournment

At 1:55pm the meeting was unanimously adjourned with prayer led by Tim Weaver.