

Education Commission Minutes of Meeting

Date: February 24, 2018

Venue: Holy Angels School Library

Attendees: Tonya Forbes, Deacon Tim White, Bridget Stanislo, Jeff Roberts, Chuck Hilby, Beth Baker, John Cebulski

Minutes Taken: Tonya Forbes

Topic	Presented By	Discussion Item	Decision	Action Needed	Deadline
Opening Prayer	Deacon White				
Open House	Tonya Forbes	How much interest was shown at the recent New Parent Open House?	Twenty-one new families attended on Thursday. Three of these have already registered.	Continue to market school for the upcoming year.	August 1, 2018
Preschool book drive	Tonya Forbes	When will the book drive occur?	KIDS Club will sponsor a preschool book drive during the month of March as it is National Reading Month.	KIDS Club promotes preschool book drive in March.	April 1, 2018
Perfect Attendance Awards	Tammy DuVall	Should the Perfect Attendance Awards be eliminated because it may encourage students to come to school who are ill?	Perfect Attendance Awards will continue.	NA	NA
Hot Dog Lunch	Becky Barr	Should there be more hot lunch opportunities for students?	Adding the additional 2 hot lunch days throughout the year to support a special HSA fund initiative for families experiencing surgery, hospitalizations, etc. is enough.	Notify Becky Barr with Home & School.	February 25, 2018

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Flag Football	Paul McCue	With the proposed legislation to ban tackle football for those under age 12, should HA pursue flag football for students in grades 5 & 6?	More information is needed at the Catholic League level before reaching a decision. Suggest a survey of incoming 5th& 6th grade parents to determine if there is interest.	Contact Kelly Bennett from the Aurora Catholic League with the suggestion.	February 25, 2018
Sports Uniforms	Paul McCue	To reduce costs of new uniforms, could the school purchase shirts only for soccer, volleyball, and track? Parents would purchase shorts and socks. Students would keep their shirts at the end of the season.	Proposal should be implemented.	Research cost of shirts, shorts, and socks. These additional items must be purchased only through the sports sign up program.	August 1, 2018
Sports Sale	Tonya Forbes	Should old trophies be offered to students and/or parents for purchase in an organized way? Could old jerseys be sold? Could donated sports equipment from parents be sold?	Currently old trophies are discarded. Trophies will be kept through a class' senior year and then offered to them. Old jerseys and sports equipment (no helmets) will be sold. Any money will be used to support the sports department.	Mr. Richard needs to narrow the trophies to the most current ones. Solicit donations of sports equipment. Clean out the uniform closet of older jerseys. Advertise sports sale.	May 1, 2018

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Honor Roll	Junior High Teachers	Should honor roll reflect grade point average only?	Grade point average will determine honor roll status. However, an F in any academic subject or a check in a specials class will prevent a student from honor roll status. Honor roll can be denied based upon conduct.	Update the Parent Handbook to reflect this change starting in the 2018-2019 school year.	July 1, 2018
Ineligibility	Tonya Forbes	Should students be ineligible to participate in events that happen during the school day for academic reasons?	Students who do not meet academic eligibility requirements cannot participate in extracurricular activities. This does not include Catholic Schools Week activities, field trips, class trips, or the school picnic as these occur during the school day. This does not include City of Aurora Sports Fest (happening during the school day) as the city sets the eligibility criteria. However, all these activities may be denied based upon conduct.	Communicate policy clarification to faculty.	February 25, 2018

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Preschool Discount	Tonya Forbes	Should families with both a preschooler and student(s) in grades K-8 be given the multiple child discount on tuition?	Preschool is not required by the state for education. Preschool has its own budget and parents are not required to pay technology fee and fundraising fee. The loss of revenue with a multi-child discount could be detrimental to the preschool budget.	N/A	N/A
8th Grade Banquet	Tonya Forbes	Should the 7th grade parents pay for the cost of the banquet for the 8th graders?	8th grade students and teachers may attend the event free. Parents will pay a nominal fee to offset the cost of the dinner to attend. This will be reflected in the graduation fees collected in the spring.	7th grade parents will not pay this year. 8th grade parents paid last year. The school will absorb the additional cost this year.	May 1, 2018

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Ribbon Mass	Tonya Forbes	Could the 8th grade Ribbon Mass be altered to incorporate the 8th grade t-shirts as their special form of recognition as they move on into high school?	8th graders are recognized throughout the school year with their class sweatshirt. The 8th grade t-shirts are designed by the class and signed by every member. The t-shirts are special to the students. Because of this, the ribbons do not carry the same significance as in past years. The Ribbon Mass will be changed to the 8th Grade Recognition Mass and students will be individually honored and receive their class t-shirt on the first Friday in May. Students can wear the t-shirt the entire month.	Design t-shirts for delivery before May 4, 2018.	May 4, 2018

EC Members: Deacon Tom White, John Cebulski, Chuck Hilby, Beth Baker, Bridgette Oester, Margaret Vagnoni, Allison Kapitanoff, Jeff Roberts, Bridget Stanislo

Next Meeting: February 17, 2018