

St. Thomas Aquinas Grade School

Advisory Board Meeting

April 12, 2010

Present: Mary Haluska, Maggie MacCleary, Cynthia Scheller, Anne Myer, Lorraine Dunn, David McCarville, Brian Fitzmaurice, Robert Bill

Absent: Marissa Bell, Dr. McDermott

Minutes from the March 2010 meeting were approved as written.

Looked at 2010-2011 school calendar. Calendar is posted on webpage.

Principal's Report: (as given by Maggie MacCleary) STAGS is now at full enrollment with 256 students with a growing interest list of 65 students. All staff are returning next year with the exception of the nurses, which was their request. Finance report was reviewed. Annual Appeal begins this weekend at Mass. Letters will go home to families on Friday. Theme is Reaching for the Stars. Next Finance report will be out in May.

Next PTO meeting is April 27th.

Wildcat Report: Wildcats donated \$1000 to the STAGS library for new books and are funding Field Day on April 23rd. Poker night is May 15th and the Golf Tournament is May 8th at Tuscany Falls. Scholarships applications for 8th grade will be available this week; Wildcats give 2 \$500 scholarships every year for 8th grade students going to a Catholic high school.

Old Business

Policy Review: Board voted on proposed policy changes. Outcomes were yes to School Mass, PE, and Service Hours. Graded specials; 6-8 only – 5 yes, 2 no; K-8; no. Votes will be given to Fr. Kieran and Dr. McDermott.

New Business

- ❖ Dave Nigh resigned as Athletic Director and beginning in June, our new Athletic Director will be Ben Carnazzo.
- ❖ Building update: Chase is the contractor chosen for the expansion. Fr. Kieran plans to hold meetings at Masses in the future to provide updates.
- ❖ Advisory Board elections/nominations were submitted.

- ❖ As of July 1, 2010, Bishop Olmstead will be requiring 72 hours of Catholic faith formation for all teachers in the Diocesan schools.

Adjournment

Prayer

**** Next meeting is May 10th at 6:30 in the conference room ****