

St. Thomas Aquinas School Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes-May 14, 2007

In attendance: Caren Bailey, Jeanne Blackman, Jennifer Copeland, Myra DeRoo, Celeste Furey, Maria Herrera-Bill, Dave McCarville, Dr. Jim McDermott, Anne Myer, Cynthia Scheller, Erika Wynne. Those absent: Diana Mejia, Wildcat Representative.

The meeting was opened with the Stewardship prayer and intentions led by Cynthia Scheller.

The April minutes were approved with no changes.

Principal's Report:

- Teacher contracts were discussed and will be signed by the end of next week.
- Changes for next year were discussed, and the highlights are: many scheduling changes will take place and music and art will be emphasized more; pick-up and drop-off procedures will change; there will be many more after school activities; a lunchroom/recess monitor was hired and teachers will no longer have this duty.
- 8th grade scholarships will be handed out at the graduation.
- Kindergarten will not have a graduation ceremony, but will have a promotion party.

PTO Report:

- Scholarship winner names will be given to Dr. McDermott on Graduation Day.
- The school picnic will be on Friday from 5:00-7:30 p.m.
- The dates for PTO activities for next year have been set.
- The PTO is still looking for people to fill board positions.

Wildcat Report:

- The Scholarship winner names will be given to Dr. McDermott by Graduation Day.
- Family dinner night will be at Manuel's for the month of May.
- New board members have been chosen.
- Another poker night has been set for June 29, 2007.

Old Business:

- The parent survey data has been compiled and the results will be published by the end of the week.

Liaison Reports:

- The parish council is still working on the Stewardship program.
- The CTO has sent "thank you" letters to all the contributors.

Committee Reports:

-The spirituality committee is working with the parish to schedule the school masses for next year.

-The service hour letters will be sent out this week. Our school parents have logged almost 9000 hours of service this school year.

New Business:

-A review of changes made to the handbook was discussed. These changes will be reflected in the 2007-2008 handbooks.

The closing prayer was led by Myra DeRoo.

The meeting was adjourned.