



PRINCE OF PEACE

SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES – MARCH 6, 2018

Those Present: Fr. Jerry Volz, Jane Shriver, Melinda Yaklin, Kelli Thompson, Kasie Broeckelman, Tracy Day, Andrew Calovich, Scott Richlin, Amanda Berger

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The 4th quarter brings many exciting events. Our 2nd & 8th graders are preparing for their respective sacraments. Our 3rd-8th graders will participate in Kansas Assessments beginning March 21st. On April 10th, we will have over 800 5th graders on our campus to celebrate Vocations Day from across the Archdiocese. On April 11th, we will host Body Venture, a 50-ft walk-through the human body exhibit for our K-5 grade students. On April 12th, our 4th-8th graders will participate in STEM night with guests from Garmin, St. James, Miego, & St. Thomas Aquinas. Our 8th graders have received over \$25,000 in scholarships from the Catholic High Schools in the area. Catholic High School is affordable and possible for all families. Mrs. Shriver also shared that May 7th, which was going to be a teacher in-service day, has become a regular school day due to the number of snow days we have had this school year.

Prince of Peace applied and received an EMBRACE grant. EMBRACE is an organization that works with the Archdiocesan schools to provide resources to meet the needs of all students in our Catholic Schools. We received a multi-sensory phonics program called Jolly Phonics that our Kindergarten teachers will use in their classroom. We also will be able to checkout Wilson & Sonday resources from the EMBRACE resource library. They also connected us with the Variety Club to apply for a grant to get flex seating options for the Learning Center.

OTHER INFORMATION SHARED

Mrs. Shriver shared our enrollment projections for next year. We have 54 students enrolled in kindergarten and had more come to Kindergarten Round-up to be screened but have not enrolled yet. We have been working on enrollment connections with EEC and younger parishioners through Stay & Plays, birthday cards, buddy classes, etc. As for staff changes, Mrs. Dercher will be part-time next year and there possibly could be other staffing changes as our 6th & 7th grade classes next year will be divided into 2 homerooms instead of 3. We continue to get inquires and are giving tours on a regular basis.

Budget information was shared. The council compared our tuition rates with neighboring Catholic Schools and found ours to be very reasonable. Mrs. Shriver presented 3 tuition possibilities for comparison and members provided their feedback.

Mrs. Shriver presented the PTO Budget items. Highlights include K-6 Math book multi-year contract as well as security & technology updates.

Fund the Need at the Gala was for a new iPad cart and the silent Crisis Emergency System Ruvna that can operate on any internet device. We will also complete the work to replace tile in the bathrooms by the gym this summer. Ideas were shared to increase Fund the Need donations as well as a preview night and/or donation party for gala items.

The next meeting is Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at 5:30 in the office conference room.

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