

St. Cletus School Board Meeting
March 13, 2018

- Present: Eileen Dorchinecz, - Board President, Tom Chinske – Principal, C Schaeffer – Vice Principal, P Townsend, K Hogan, J Rossmiller, S Aulinskis, P O’Toole, C McLean, V Sosne, C Mhley, B Havelka
- Absent: N McKeehan

- **First Order of Business – Summer Camp**
 - The summer camp developments through Dan Galvin have been canceled
 - Time period available at St. Cletus did not meet his needs
 - Will move to schedule a STEM camp for K -2 June 25-29
 - Hours 9-12 – STEM activities, 12-1 lunch, 1-3 ART (Afternoon is optional)
 - Will market to community
 - Looking at option of 40 children participating
 - Will be held in Parish Center
 - Fee will be in \$300 or more range for full day
 - Consider staffing with St. Cletus teacher to introduce our teachers to outside community members

- **Second Order of Business – Tuesday, May 15, 7 PM Detective Hollendonner presentation**
 - Will discuss internet issues and our children’s usage
 - Location: Parish Center gym, encouraging high participation to fill the gym; market to school, other schools, and community
 - Promoted under “Cardinal College” activities
 - This term coined by Mrs. Bentley to create opportunities for parents to socialize and learn as a community
 - Will also be an evening April 10 at 7PM - “Reviving You Parenting skills” (focusing on how to say NO)
 - Will be advertised in the canticle in order to open up to parish members

- **Third Order of Business: Golf Outing June 22**
 - Mr. Chinske has contacted suggested families to ask them to chair the event
 - Mr. Chinske will participate in Father’s Club meeting to discuss event with previous chairs and participants
 - Mr. Chinske stressed that this will not be the same event as in the past and not sure about its fund raising potential
 - May change how sponsorships are sought

- **Fourth Order of Business – Monthly late start**
 - Reason - The arch promotes a program called Data Wise
 - St Cletus uses the agenda not the plan
 - This program is aimed at setting up a system to improve student ASPIRE scores
 - The arch will offer money to St Cletus to implement the training
 - In order to implement additional time for faculty is needed (90 minutes monthly)
 - St Cletus administration will determine if before or after school is best and will introduce idea to parents
 - At this time no aftercare is to be available on these dates
 - The administration will look at the necessity to build this in over time

- **Fifth Order of Business – Annual Fund**
 - Letters to parents to be distributed next week by email and in Wednesday envelopes

- **Sixth Order of Business – Discussion of ideas for improved enrollment and retention**
 - Focus on Preschool and Kindergarten families
 - The ambassador program for families was not set up this year
 - Mrs. Schaffer observes varying degrees of participation from families
 - Discussion around reviving this program and ways to develop more structure/planned events for participation
 - Consider having the 2nd grade families in charge or organizing this program
 - Consider the idea of a once per month activity
 - After school soccer program
 - Reflection on this program as a great way to meet families in the past
 - Work to invigorate this program
 - Have Junior high kids (Buddies) as coaches and refs for preschool and K teams
 - Consider giving each child a t-shirt in class to involve kids and have their excitement to participate lead the parents to participation
 - Consider pizza party in gym after Friday soccer nights
 - Art Show - have Mr. B develop an Art show, kids excitement will influence parent participation and sense of community

- Welcome barbecue
 - Has been held a family homes financed by Fathers club
 - Should be held in end of August
- Board members will contact those families that are undecided or have decided not to return. Discuss what makes St. Cletus different
- Consider having teachers present the strengths of these children and the growth they have shown and what is awaiting them in the coming years curriculum. An idea to engage families and show them what makes St. Cletus different
- Food Truck Fridays – a simple event in parking lot to engage the building of community
- **Seventh Order of Business –Queen of Hearts Raffle**
 - Significant fund raising potential (Could surpass funds raised at auction)
 - Ron Skrip discussed details of how raffle works (Like the lottery, increased ticket sales = increased pot)
 - A simple idea with very little overhead, creates excitement, opens up participation to all in the community
 - Current pot for a neighboring parish is \$185K (School gets half of this). Tickets are 6 for \$5 at this school
 - Discussed using Kenny's as the location for raffle
 - We MUST determine if this idea is to be implemented because if we are not the 1st in our area success will be affected
 - Mr. Chinske will call his contact at St. Catjean to discuss

Next Meeting date April 3, 2018