

Catholic Community Education Commission
Minutes of the Open Meeting October 20, 2005
Lake Michigan Catholic High School

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by President Paul Maloney.

Jody Maher gave the opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Dave Boelke, Rusty Cutter, Bill Grover, Dolores Landeck Mason, Paul Maloney, Kris Nuter, Sheila Zellmer, John Berlin, Jody Maher, Cindy Payovich, Father Jacobs, Monsignor Martin

Excused: Debra Hermann, Tony Monte, Wayne Stefanich, Ron Demblowski

The minutes of the September 22, 2005, meeting were approved as presented with a motion by Kris Nuter and supported by Bill Grover.

Reports

President-Paul Maloney introduced and welcomed new member Sheila Zellmer to the Commission. The State of the School will be held on Sunday, October 23, 2005 at 1:30 p.m. at the Elementary building.

Finance Committee-No report.

Recruitment and Retention Committee-Dede Landeck Mason reported that the Marketing Committee has not met but an agenda of business is being compiled. An LMC brochure has been developed that provides a brief introduction to what the school has to offer.

Security and Safety Committee-No report.

Technology Committee-No report.

Parish Council and Parish Finance Reports

St. Joseph-Monsignor Martin reported that the church is making budget up to the sixteenth week. A great Mass was celebrated at the Elementary School. President Maloney congratulated Monsignor Martin on his 26th anniversary of ordination.

Ss. John-Bernard-Father Jacobs said that the new Catholic Community Center should be complete soon and an open house will be scheduled during November. A second Mass of Remembrance will be held in November and will be open to the public.

Bi-Parish Religious Director-No report.

Administrator Reports

Executive Director/Principal-John Berlin reported that planning for the 2007 Band Trip to Disney World has begun. Jody suggested the time be scheduled for the second week of February so as not to conflict with Catholic Schools Week. A school safety response guide has been distributed to all teachers as part of the overall school safety plan. John Berlin, Jody Maher and Cindy Payovich attended the MANS Conference. John discussed the possibility of changing the accrediting agency for the Middle/High School from NCA to MANS. Currently, most non-public schools are accredited by MANS. Most of the requirements of both groups are similar. The Marketing Committee continues to meet and will move forward until their plan is implemented. The staff in-service on October 18th covered the Theology of the Body. This completes five of the ten hours of required catechist instruction for the staff. John discussed the changes relating to the Michigan Merit Exam requirements for next year. In communication the Jeff

Siegel, Superintendent of the BCISD, LMC has been asked to be the lead parochial school in a separate parochial branch emergency calling tree. The State of the School will include a PowerPoint presentation and updates from the administrators.

Elementary School-Jody Maher reviewed several of the activities from the Elementary including the Fall Festival, All Saints Day, 2nd grade trip to LMCHS Chemistry Lab, the 5th grade trip to Notre Dame Basilica, and the Art Museum. The Thanksgiving Mass will be held on Wednesday, November 23, at 9:00 a.m. Jody thanked Kurt Marzke for securing a grant through Exxon, Pri-Mart's parent company. The grant was used to purchase audio/visual equipment and prayer books at the Elementary School. The distribution of the grant money at the Middle/High School is still being determined.

Business Office-Cindy Payovich passed out the quarterly budget report, which showed that the school is at about 20-25% of the budget. Both revenues and expenses are about on track. Cindy thanked the volunteers from both the school and the Knights of Columbus for their help with the clean up of the Science lecture rooms after the ceiling problems. Repair costs have been submitted to the insurance company.

Assistant Principal/Athletic Director-No report.

Association Reports

Laker Fun-Michelle Armstrong presented the Laker Fun report which included information on Donuts with Dad, the Laker Fun Welcoming Committee, The Halloween Dance, the Fall Festival, Cash Back for Schools and Muffins with Mom.

Blue Tide-No report.

New Business-Bill Grover spoke about the purchase of a crucifix for the High School Gymnasium. The Knights of Columbus will be giving \$ 500.00. The remainder of the money will be raised from various sources. Monsignor Martin has a possible other source for supplying the crucifix. He stated that the Parishes will also support this effort.

The next regularly scheduled CCEC meeting will be Thursday, November 17, 2005 at 7:30p.m.

Motion by Bill Grover supported by Dave Boelke to adjourn the meeting at 8:45p.m. Meeting adjourned by Paul Maloney.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Nowicki Theisen