

Catholic Community Education Commission  
Minutes of the Open Meeting February 16, 2006  
Lake Michigan Catholic High School

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The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Paul Maloney.

John Berlin gave the opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Excused: Debra Hermann, Wayne Stefanich, Ron Demblowski, Monsignor Martin

Unexcused: None

The minutes of the January 19, 2006, meeting were approved as presented with a motion by Rusty Cutter and supported by Tony Monte.

#### Reports

President-Paul Maloney relayed a request from John Berlin for CCEC members to help with recruitment efforts on March 12<sup>th</sup> and March 19<sup>th</sup> after variously scheduled masses. Scheduling for a similar effort will be looked at for Sacred Heart and St. Joseph Catholic at Watervliet.

A motion was made by Dave Boelke and seconded by Kris Nuter to approve a liquor license for the Scene Auction on April 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2006. Motion carried.

Finance Committee-Tony Monte reported that tuition information had been presented to and approved by the pastors. A motion was made by Tony Monte and supported by Dede Landeck Mason to approve the 2006-2007 tuition schedule as presented. Motion carried. Further discussion on extra fees ensued.

Recruitment and Retention Committee-Billboards will be going up at the end of February. Radio spots are being developed and will run one week before and one week after spring break. The ninety minutes of radio time will cost \$ 2,500.00. February 22<sup>nd</sup> will be Laker to Laker Day when the 5<sup>th</sup> graders will visit the Middle School. Parents are invited to attend a meeting that evening. The Town Hall Meeting was very positive with a suggestion to have current Middle School parents dialogue with prospective 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents. This Committee continues to work with the School Marketing Committee.

Security and Safety Committee-No report.

Technology Committee-Jody Maher reported for Pam Barden that the LMC Website has out-grown its space and will be increased to a larger 150mg. of space.

#### Parish Council and Parish Finance Reports

Ss. John-Bernard-Plans for the new Parish Center continue. Small church communities are being formed where 7-8 people meet together in a parish family home. A group from Detroit is pursuing the possibility of turning the Loft building into an Alternative Education Charter School. Bishop Murray and the Superintendent Dawning of Benton Harbor Schools have been involved in the initial discussions and are supportive of the program.

St. Joseph-No report.

## Administrator Reports

Executive Director/Principal-John Berlin reported on a very successful Catholic Schools Week. The latest edition of a newsletter, Laker News & Notes, has been distributed. John thanked Jan Mathews for her help in editing the newsletter. Accreditation information was distributed and reviewed. A steering committee is being formed and implementation will be continuous. An additional in-service is scheduled for April 10<sup>th</sup> to further accreditation plans. Professional development continues with every-other week staff meetings and peer presentations. There has been a renewed spirit in the school which John attributed to Mr. Heath; he has taught the students several cheers that have been used during basketball games. Dr. Learman is doing a leadership presentation at a conference in California.

Elementary School-Jody Maher informed the Commission of tomorrow's Eucharistic Adoration at the elementary school. Peggy Hanley received a \$ 2,500.00 Best Buy Grant for a multi-media book that she submitted. The Box Factory will be displaying some of the elementary students' art projects. Jody reported that a K-5 Spanish program will be implemented beginning next fall. Each CCEC member received a copy of "At Home with our Faith." This publication is distributed monthly to each elementary family.

Business Office-Preparation for registration is continuing. Packets will be distributed to prospective families. Registration for currently enrolled families will begin on March 13<sup>th</sup>. Jody and Cindy went to a Department of Education meeting which highlighted some of the public school services that can be used by our school.

Assistant Principal/Athletic Director-No report.

## Association Reports

Blue Tide-Tom Hanley reported that the raffle went well with profits of \$ 4,965.00. Laker Lunatic Spirit shirts were purchased and sold by Blue Tide. Blue Tide has transferred \$ 20,000.00 to athletics. There is currently a \$ 14,000.00 Blue Tide balance. Upcoming events include the August Golf Outing and a possible Texas Hold'em Tournament. Tom extended many thanks to Phil Hegg for his leadership in the Hall of Fame event.

Laker Fun-Jody reported that the Catholic Schools Week was very successful with many activities at the elementary school including a teacher's luncheon, Kid to Kid Sale, and the Winter Fun Fest. This Sunday, the Mother/Son event will include tubing at Five Pines.

The next regularly scheduled CCEC meeting will be Thursday, March 16, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Dave Boelke and supported by Tony Monte to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m.  
Meeting adjourned by Paul Maloney.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Nowicki Theisen