

Catholic Community Education Commission
Minutes of the Open Meeting March 22, 2007
Lake Michigan Catholic High School

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The meeting was called to order at 7:30p.m. by President Paul Maloney.

Father Bill Jacobs gave the opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Dave Boelcke, Rusty Cutter, Bill Grover, Debra Hermann, Dolores Landeck Mason, Paul Maloney, Tony Monte, Kris Nuter, John Berlin, Jody Maher, Cindy Payovich, Wayne Stefanich, Monsignor Osborn, Father Jacobs

The minutes were corrected to show that Dave Boelcke was excused from the last meeting. The minutes of the February 22, 2007 meeting were approved with the above correction with a motion by Bill Grover and support by Deb Hermann.

Reports

Joe Jarvie, Band Director, presented a report/survey about the High School Band trip to Disney World. He noted that the Sunday Mass was attended by all students and that parent Marty Smith led daily devotional prayers. Commission member Dave Boelcke congratulated both the Middle School and High School Bands for being awarded Division I's at the recent Band Festival held at the College.

President-Paul Maloney reminded Commissioners that the next meeting will be moved from the usual Thursday night to Wednesday, April 25th to avoid scheduling conflicts with National Honor Society Induction Ceremonies. Also passed out were copies of the Constitution and By-Laws of the CCEC.

Finance Committee-Tony Monte made a motion, with support from Dave Boelcke, to approve the 2007-08 tuition rates as presented by the Business Office. Motion carried.

Recruitment Committee-DeDe Landeck Mason reported that the Committee met today and determined that the focus will be with recruitment and retention of Catholic families. Laker to Laker events are being very well received. John Berlin and Jody Maher have handed out packets to perspective families after various Sunday masses at all locations. The Freshman Orientation evening was also well received by the parents. Monsignor Osborn and Father Jacobs complemented each other in their presentation to the parents.

Parish Council and Parish Finance Reports

Ss. John-Bernard-Father Jacobs reported on the activities at the new Parish Center. St. Joseph parish will host a Communal Reconciliation service with six priests available to hear confessions.

St. Joseph-No report.

Administrator Reports

Executive Director/Principal-John Berlin informed the Commission that an Accreditation Team of 20 educators were at both of the school buildings for three days. The closing meetings with the Team were very positive and the consensus was that the school was doing a very good job. John expressed that he was proud of the Lake Michigan Catholic staff because it was a true team effort that produced the good evaluation. Honors breakfasts were held for 77% of the Middle School students and 84% of the High School students. The Valedictorian and Salutatorian for the Class of 2007 have been named. They are

Alex Petlick with a grade point of 4.0 and Terence Theisen with a grade point of 3.978. St. Joseph High School hosted the Juniors as they took the newly required MME test and the ACT test.

Business Office-Cindy Payovich said that the Finance Committee has been working very diligently on the current budget and the 2007-08 budget. An up-to-date cash flow analysis was distributed and reviewed. Registration of current families is in its fourth day. The changes to the Scrip program have been posted on the school website.

Elementary School-Jody Maher commented on the outstanding experience the Elementary School had with the Accreditation Team visit. There were no major concerns with the current curriculum. A presentation of the accreditation will be done at the April 25th CCEC meeting. John Berlin noted that the system-wide evaluation will be given in three separate reports for the protection of each separate set of grade levels. Advertisements for school Open Houses and Registration are in the Herald Palladium.

Assistant Principal/Athletic Director-Wayne Stefanich reported that the Boys Tennis team will host their home events at South Shore Racquet Club. South Shore will also be donating more weight equipment to the school. A letter has been sent to Grace Christian to invite them to join the Red Arrow Conference. No reply as of yet. The gender equality situation is still not decided. If the seasons switch because of the ruling, games will be played with alternating weeks and days for the girls and boys teams.

Association Reports

Blue Tide-Tony Monte reported that the last meeting covered planning for the Blue Tide Golf Outing and Dinner scheduled for Monday, August 6th.

Laker Fun-Jody Maher reported on the Daddy/Daughter Dinner Dance.

A motion was made by Bill Grover with support from Dave Boelcke to adjourn the meeting at 8:26p.m. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned by Paul Maloney.

The next regularly scheduled CCEC meeting will be Wednesday, April 25, 2007 at 7:30p.m. (Note the date change).

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary