

**SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2014  
6:30PM CONFERENCE ROOM**

**Board Members:**

Christina Diers  
Carrie Kubicek  
Ann Monday  
John Morrow - absent  
Kevin Ortmeier  
Derek Strohman  
Bill Pulte

**Others in attendance:**

Nick Mumm  
RF Rep - Linda Mack  
PAC Rep - Kristin Barry  
H & S Vice President Jennifer Jodlowski

1. **Opening Prayer** - The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by. The meeting began with prayer.
2. **Roll Call/Welcome** - Attendance was recorded as outlined in the minutes for board members and representatives of the school and parish.
3. **Approval of Minutes** - Kevin motioned to approve the minutes from September, and Carrie seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.
4. **President's Report – School Board President –**  
Nothing to report.
5. **Home and School Report – H & S Vice Pres. –**  
The school directories went out the first week of October.  
H & S is collecting HyVee receipts from now until December 31st.  
The Box Tops competition is underway. The winning class earns popcorn party.  
Book Fair is October 19-23.  
The next Family Food Night is at Arby's this Wednesday, Oct. 15th at the 136th & Maple and 173rd & Center locations.  
Used Uniforms has an ordering address. It is [stpatsuseduniforms@gmail.com](mailto:stpatsuseduniforms@gmail.com).  
Room Parents are busy planning Halloween Parties.  
Apparel sales will return November 10-17th in time for holiday delivery.  
The next H & S meeting will be at Tanner's on Nov. 17th at 7pm. It is also a Family Food night at Tanner's.  
Angel Dollar Sales this year will donate 40% to activity center.
6. **Religious Formation Report – Linda Mack**

They are working on the summer program for 2016. They will be cap the enrollment at 300. They are thinking of requiring families who participate in the summer program in other events throughout the year to keep them involved.

**7. Pastor Report – Fr. Gary**

Nothing to report.

**8. Parish Pastoral Council Report – Fr. Gary**

Nothing to report.

**9. Principal Advisory Report – PAC Rep**

Staff is excited about Christmas service projects. 5th grade has changed their project. They will now make fleece tie blankets for EPS.

The date for wearing mass sweaters has been moved back to Nov. 4th. Shorts may not be worn starting October 15th.

Accuity - Teachers will have information about Accuity at Parent/Teacher Conferences.

The reports are different from Star testing. There are two predictive tests - that are pre-made by the Archdiocese. Diagnostic tests are made by the teachers. They get to base the questions on what they have taught. They can get more specific information from the tests to help them teach. It also replaces Aleks. Accuity is more of a tutoring system than Aleks. They can select assignments specifically for individual students depending on the student's needs. Teachers will decide if students need to practice on Accuity at home or in class.

Early out schedules are being rotated so that the same classes are not being missed each time.

Grade highlights:

Two students were named for Honor Band. They are Keegan Brown and Jacob Gathje.

Eighth graders just had a great confirmation retreat on October 1st.

Seventh grade is having fun mummifying chickens.

Sixth grade is at Outdoor Education October 13-14th.

Fifth grade just finished 4-H bridge projects and are working on saint projects.

Fourth grade helped clean up around the school grounds.

Third grade is working on land form projects.

Second grade finished writing both their math & reading diagnostic Accuity tests.

First grade A-Z reading assessments are showing that students skills have grown.

Preschool & PreK are learning classroom routines & performing well on the assessments they have been given.

**10. Committee Representatives**

- a. Finances – Ann/Kevin - nothing to report

The committee has been making calls to collect cards for challenge grant.

- b. Facilities/Safety Minutes – Nick & Bill -

Nothing to report.

- c. Policy/Calendar/Communication – John & Carrie

Nothing to report.

- d. School Improvement – Bill & Don  
They will have a meeting tomorrow.
- e. Recruitment – Carrie & Nick  
John Copenhaver and Rhonda Gottschalk are sending out email blasts.
- f. Other discussion Items you have  
Athletic Committee - They are working on how to register for fall activities. All registration is now through WeShare.  
Athletic Director update: - There are two candidates being interviewed Thursday.

#### **11. Principal's Report – Don/Nick**

Volunteer Update: We need more help in the lunch room. We are usually short staffed. The volunteer time has been shortened by eliminating sweeping. The time required is now 10:45am - 12:55pm. It has been suggested to increase lunch cost and hire people to help. It has also been suggested that we could charge people a flat rate instead of volunteering. After talking to other schools in the area, Mr. Mumm has found the same issues at other schools - public and private. Mr. Mumm has timed the lunch line. It takes seven minutes to get through the line. It used to take much longer. Last year, it was suggested that parents volunteer during months designated to their child's grade. One of the reasons it is difficult to get lunch room volunteers is that the volunteer time is during the work day. Mr. Mumm and Dr. Ridder would like to see if they can increase the efficiency in the lunch room before trying other suggestions. The discussion was tabled until next meeting to see if the increases in efficiency help the situation.

#### **12. Other items**

None

#### **13. Audience Petitions (at discretion of the President)**

None

#### **14. Executive session – School Board Only**

None

#### **15. Adjournment**

Ann motioned to adjourn the meeting; Kevin seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16pm. The meeting closed with the Our Father. The next meeting will be Monday, November 10, 2014 at 6:30pm.