

**Regis Catholic Schools
Education Commission Meeting
Thursday, June 19, 2014
Immaculate Conception Parish, 5:00pm**

Present:

Becky Alexander
Denise Boos
Renee Cassidy
John Cook
Jenny Dykes
Gayle Flaig

Rev. Alan Guanella
Mark Gobler
Teresa Johnson
Val Knobloch
Very Rev. Brian Konopa
Pat Lange
Chuck Larson

Howard Ludwigson
Rev. Don Meuret
Paul Pedersen
Mark Seyer
Anna Sizer
Reid Sollberger
Rev. George
Thayikuzhithottu

Absent:

Barb Haag
Kelly Mechelke

Rev. David Olson
Rev. Derek Sakowski

Rev. John Schultz
Patty Usher

Minutes: Teresa Johnson

I. Opening

Call to Order: Chuck Larson

Prayer: Father Alan Guanella

May Minutes: Approved with 2 corrections
(1) Chuck Larson was absent but recorded as present
(2) Val Knobloch was present but recorded as absent

Introductions and welcome new St. Olaf rep, Reid Sollberger (replacing Jenny Dykes) and Newman parish rep, Pat Lange (replacing Chuck Larson)

II. Reports – Annual Recap

- a. Governance – Working on tools for staff salary increases (waiting for the Diocese); St. Mary’s Master’s program; providing funds for staff taking on leadership roles.
- b. Teaching & Learning – Val met with Kelly in the fall on Math and Social Studies; Kelly is attending a Math workshop this week with Erika Galewski; Accreditation process ended and the system became accredited; Social Studies workshop in August (Dori Fadness, Kayla Bahnub, and Renee Cassidy will attend); Elementary reading scores are up; Language Arts continues to see improvement; Position changes: Kelly will become the RCS Curriculum Coordinator (will be announced tomorrow) and continue as principal but will need a person at each building to fill in the gaps; Paul Pedersen will be the new Regis Middle/High School principal; Kayla Bahnub and Eric Nelson will become the Dean of Students at Regis.

- c. School Life – Barb Haag (not in attendance) Chuck reported that she is working on the Campus Ministry aspect with the youth minister from IC.
- d. Catholic Identity & Mission Integration – Becky Alexander – Weekly rosary was not well attended. Will be reviewing a time change for next year; Adoration had a good reception; Chastity speaker; Common Core & Choice program discussions; Middle/High School Religious Assessments went out and receiving positive feedback
- e. Advancement & RCS Foundation Report– Mark Seyer – Brochure is finished for planning giving/legacy; mailing will be going out with the brochure. NonSibi-Robyn Schultz Krogman is working on different locations because date is not available and price increases at Florian. Database updates – Switched to Little Green Light from Donor Snap and is going well. Hoping to use it for Enrollment Management in 2015.
- f. RCS Administration – Mark Gobler and Staff
 - i. Teresa Johnson-Enrollment Report handout
 - ii. Renee Cassidy – Walk for Virtues on May 16th took place at the Indoor Sports Center and raised \$44,000. School improvements to be done from money raised – (IC 4 water fountains, art kiln, transportation for field trips, 10 iPads; SM lockers; SJ PA and iPad carts)
 - iii. Mark Gobler – Strategic plan in place; tracking progress with Aims web; ACT changing.
 - iv. Denise Boos –
 - 1. Good financial year due to Choice program, Annual Fund and COEP.
 - 2. Finance committee approved to help fund SM lockers, SJ intercom, Regis Phone system, and Regis parking lot repaving.
 - 3. Subsidy –RCS recommending all parishes use the Regis parish subsidy formula. Our goal is to reduce subsidy once the debt is repaid. RCS paid \$133,000 to the debt with the Diocese this year. Remaining owed about \$201,000.
 - v. Gayle Flaig – The child development centers had a great financial year; Nice comments and feedback from parents at the 4K graduations.

III. Discussion Items

- a. iPad/Chrome book
 - i. John Cook and Mark Gobler presented a Chrome book/iPad Evaluation (handout and discussion). RCS teaching staff prefers Chrome books over iPads. After much discussion, the Education Commission supports the Chrome books. Finance Committee will need to approve.

IV. Adjournment

- a. Closing Prayer – Father Konopa
- b. Adjourned at 6:20pm
- c. No July Meeting