

Regis Catholic Schools
Education Commission Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 20, 2017
Regis Room 107, 5:00 p.m.

Present:

Renee Cassidy	Rev. Tom Krieg	Paul Pedersen
Mark Gobler	Linda Marx	Tanya Schmitz
Rev. Alan Guanella	Very Rev. Don Meuret	Reid Sollberger
Meghan Kulig	Rev. Dan Oudenhoven	Patty Usher

Absent:

Becky Alexander	Pat Lange	Carisa Smiskey
Gayle Flaig	Kelly K. Mechelke	Rev. George Thayikuzhithottu
Rev. Paul Hoffman	Rev. Derek Sakowski	Bill Uelmen
Kelly Hughes	Linda Schultz	

Minutes: Tanya Schmitz

- I. Opening
 - Call to Order: Patty Usher 5:00 p.m.
 - Opening Prayer: Rev. Alan Guanella
 - Acceptance of March Minutes: Accepted
- II. Standing Committees
 - a. School Life: no report
 - b. Teaching and Learning: no report
 - c. Catholic Identity and Mission Integration: no report
- III. Central Office Reports
 - a. Communications Report presented by Meghan Kulig
 - i. Annual Senior surveys
 1. Patty Usher asked if company can adjust questions to which Meghan Kulig responded yes, that she has such as adding faith questions, etc. and this is true of the follow up surveys also
 2. Patty Usher added Education Commission saw these survey questions last year and there were suggestions made on the questions and asked if those suggestions were implemented to which Meghan Kulig responded that she did not recall, she would look into this
 - ii. Postcard mailing re: WPCP, tuition rates, and plans to Kindergarten-eligible and to current families who are entering transition grades 6th and 9th
 - iii. Excellence in Education event via the Chamber
 - iv. Working Mothers Luncheon marketing opportunity
 - v. Insert in parish bulletins first weekend of May re: WFV
 - b. Enrollment Update presented by Mark Gobler
HANDOUT: Preliminary 2017-18 Enrollment Data
 - i. Possibly 38 new families, 20 from ECASD, that may put the student count over 800
 1. Patty Usher inquired as to whether there were any alarming changes or trends to which Mark Gobler responded no and attributed the consistency to Meghan Kulig's marketing
 - c. Budget Update presented by Mark Gobler
HANDOUT: Budget – All Funding Sources and Locations
 - i. Highlighted one extra payroll
 - ii. Child Development profitable
 - iii. Net revenue over expenses is \$105,000 in the black

- iv. Kelly Hughes is shopping for better savings rates, a different vendor for HSAs, and working to eliminate paper, etc. on payroll thus streamlining processes

IV. Old Business

- a. Energy Bus School System presented by Mark Gobler
HANDOUT: The Energy Bus for Schools Leadership Tour 2017
 - i. Administration Team with Energy Bus on August 27
 - ii. Staff with Energy Bus on August 28
 - iii. Students at a later date
 - iv. Parent Meeting Open Forum advised for Year 2
 - v. No contractual obligation after Year 1, but the Energy Bus has a 4-Year cycle
- b. Outdoor Facility Update presented by Mark Gobler
 - i. Mark Gobler and Bryant Brenner headed to Stevens Point to meet with the company to bring down figures even more; \$300,000 committed at present, could be close to \$500,000
- c. Regis Faith Council presented by Paul Pedersen
 - i. No meeting as initially planned to which Very Rev. Don Meuret commented to meeting with a member of the Regis Faith Council who would like:
 - 1. Others outside the system to be included to which Very Rev. Don Meuret advised a name change if that inclusion was to happen
 - 2. Subsidizing by the parishes to which Very Rev. Don Meuret responded with a firm no due to already limited Deanery funds
 - ii. Very Rev. Don Meuret commented that the Regis Faith Council was designed to fundraise for more faith-based items such as speakers, etc. providing support to those who run the programs, much as the booster club provides support to athletics to which Rev. Dan Oudenhoven recommended that the Regis Faith Council President meet with the Regis Booster Club President to gain knowledge on what kind of support can and should be offered
 - iii. Very Rev. Don Meuret advised that the Regis Faith Council find a more unambiguous identity with a focused mission to which Meghan Kulig added that the faith portion of the survey may help to guide the Regis Faith Council and Mark Gobler recommended that the Regis Faith Council meet with the Campus Minister for budgeting purposes
 - 1. Mark Gobler used this opportunity to highlight that the NCEA agenda for 2017 has Campus Ministry and advised costs for Campus Minister, Kristin Betlej, be built into the budget for her to attend in 2018 to which Patty Usher recommended that the Regis Faith Council consider helping fund Kristin Betlej's attendance to this event
 - 2. Rev. Alan Guanella stated that the Regis Faith Council needs bylaws with memberships, terms, a mission statement, objectives, etc., as well as a process for requests, voting, etc. to which Paul Pedersen agreed the Regis Faith Council has great potential to be a tremendous asset with the definition Rev. Alan Guanella outlined
 - 3. Patty Usher advised that the Regis Faith Council first define what School, Deanery, Parishes, Faith Council, etc. each pay for

V. New Business

- a. Superior Cathedral Visit presented by Paul Pedersen
 - i. John Cook and Paul Pedersen presented to seventh and eighth grade students in Superior bringing Chromebooks, Odysseyware, video samples of John Snyder's class, etc to present what it would feel like to be in this online/blended/hybrid/distance learning setting as a student and then met with a parent group in the evening
 - ii. Seventh grade students more responsive than eighth grade students; not enough traction at this time to start in Superior for 17/18 school year and Principal Carr in Superior would like a minimum of 5 (if not 10) students, perhaps the following year

- iii. In attendance at the parent meeting in Superior was a potential benefactor for the program if it did get its footing perhaps in 18/19
 - b. Meeting Dates for 17/18 School Year presented by Mark Gobler
 - i. Third Thursdays of each month except July, December, and March: no meetings
 - 1. August 17 at 5:00 p.m.
 - 2. September 21 at 5:00 p.m.
 - 3. October 19 at 5:00 p.m.
 - 4. November 16 at 5:00 p.m.
 - 5. January 18 at 5:00 p.m.
 - 6. February 15 at 5:00 p.m.
 - 7. April 19 at 5:00 p.m.
 - 8. May 17 at 5:00 p.m.
 - 9. June 21 at 5:00 p.m.
 - c. Strategic Plan for 17/18 presented by Mark Gobler
 - i. Core Values will not change
 - ii. Advancement goals to be defined
 - iii. Middle section should change because goals have been met and new goals will need to be set; Mark Gobler will meet with Principals on this to set new goals
 - iv. Contact Mark Gobler if you have additional comments or recommendations for the 17/18 Strategic Plan
 - d. UW-Oshkosh Dual Credit Option presented by Paul Pedersen
 - i. UW-Oshkosh CAPP Program beneficial as high school students earn concurrent high school and college credit
 - ii. Current Regis educators apply to become appointed as adjunct instructors of UW-Oshkosh, develop a syllabus for the curriculum that meets both Regis and UW-Oshkosh criteria, then teach the course at Regis to our high school students who gain concurrent high school and college credit for the class; Dean Eric Nelson is piloting this for Regis and is in the application process at this time
 - iii. Additional financial beneficial for both students and teachers as students pay only a small credit fee for the college credit and Regis adjunct instructors gain a small stipend from UW-Oshkosh for teaching the class
 - iv. Potential for this program:
 - 1. Students average 15-18 college credits from this program with a record set at 44 college credits and with one student on track to gain 52 college credits
 - 2. Additional teachers with Masters in their content include: Dr. Anne Geraghty, Mike Nerbovig, and Marc Lundquist but encouragement to redirect to content-based Masters for some teachers in the St. Mary's Masters program may be helpful to develop more cooperation with the UW-Oshkosh CAPP program
 - 3. Possibly start upcoming year of 17/18 with 1 Government and 1 History

VI. Other Business

- a. Staff Development presented by Renee Cassidy
 - i. Meeting in La Crosse April 28
 - ii. Speaker Edward Sri
- b. Accreditation presented by Renee Cassidy
 - i. Many changes will be discussed and this is on the agenda for next month
- c. Grab N' Go Breakfast presented by Mark Gobler
 - i. This breakfast program will be announced soon and will be piloted at the Regis Campus for the month of May

Closing Prayer by Rev. Dan Oudenhoven
Adjournment by Patty Usher at 6:22 p.m.