

Regis Catholic Schools
Education Commission Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 20, 2018
Regis Room 107, 5:00 p.m.

Present:

Becky Alexander	Rev. Tom Krieg	Tanya Schmitz
Rachel Brogelman	Jackie Lutz	Linda Schultz
Renee Cassidy	Rev. Dan Oudenhoven	Carisa Smiskey
Mark Gobler	Paul Pedersen	Reid Sollberger
Brian Hoeschen	Very Rev. Derek Sakowski	Bill Spangler
Meghan Kulig		

Absent:

Gayle Flaig	Rev. James Kurzynski	Rev. Dan Sedlacek
Kelly Hughes	Linda Marx	Bill Uelmen
Rev. Brian Jazdzewski	Kelly K. Mechelke	

Minutes: Tanya Schmitz

- I. Opening
 - Call to Order: Reid Sollberger
 - Opening Prayer: Mark Gobler
 - Acceptance of August Minutes: Accepted

- II. Standing Committees
 - a. Catholic Identity and Mission Integration presented by Becky Alexander
 - i. RE Kickoff Event with Paul J. Kim, next Wednesday evening and Thursday morning
 - ii. The Deanery PCCW paid for the Edge program which is used for the middle school youth group
 - iii. Not enough music booklets for Mass, Rev. Dan Thelen started this project, Rev. Dan Sedlacek will finish the project
 - iv. St. Mary's booklet which explains the Mass may be used for Regis Masses
 - v. Retreat season planned with Junior and Senior retreats completed and Freshmen and Sophomore retreats upcoming
 - vi. Faith Council gifting \$2K for Speaker and Author, Immaculee Ilibagiza; all high school students will read Immaculee's book, *Left to Tell*, in preparation for the talk
 - vii. Hike for the Homeless
 - viii. To better reflect our Catholic Identity, the committee, using funds raised by the Faith Council and donated by the Catholic Order for Foresters, is working on a project to dedicate each classroom to a saint; a plaque of each saint will be hung outside each classroom and the students will learn about that saint and ask for intercessory prayer
 - ix. Year one of the rewriting of the religion curriculum is almost done; Paul Pedersen has been part of this project
 - x. Meghan Kulig is happy to promote Mom's Prayer Group if given the schedule which Becky Alexander will reach out to Tina Morning to obtain
 - xi. Renee Cassidy asked that it be noted in the minutes that the Going Deeper in Prayer information provided by Ann Lankford will be sent home to parents
 - b. School Life: no report
 - c. Teaching and Learning: no report, next meeting on October 23

III. Central Office Reports

- a. Communication Report presented by Meghan Kulig
HANDOUT: Important Enrollment Dates
 - i. Recommendation for a third tier enrollment fee for current families only for those who wait until July 16 or later to enroll
 - 1. Rev. Dan Oudenhoven asked for positive motivators to be considered to which Meghan Kulig responded with an explanation of the tuition voucher drawings for those who enroll early
 - 2. Mark Gobler added that he will bring the proposal to the Finance Council for consideration
 - ii. Branding Guidelines were passed around for a look
 - iii. Video project with the Diocesan Office of Catholic Schools is to be ready by Catholic Schools Week to promote Catholic Schools, expects Regis videography to take place in November
 - iv. Working on 4K flyers and flyers for those at the transition points to which Very Rev. Derek Sakowski commented the numbers at the transitions have been better over the last few years thanks to initiatives like these
 - v. Auction invitations went out today, chairs are Bill Spangler and Jeff Kassing, Regis Pride Day funds will support the Auction which will take place at Florian Gardens
- b. Enrollment Report presented by Rachel Brogelman
 - i. 808 total students of which 171 are WPCP, 812 was the total reported to DPI as of September 1
 - ii. Mark Gobler broke down the numbers stating that greater than 30% of Kindergarten students are Choice, almost 23% of First through Eighth Grade students are Choice, and High School students are 14% Choice
 - iii. Rev. Tom Krieg asked about the gubernatorial race to which Mark Gobler commented that clarification is needed on whether a freeze would be for pupil count or dollars per pupil, additionally that Choice will likely never end in Milwaukee and Racine, thus Eau Claire should not be vulnerable to losing Choice; lastly that WCRIS has not released anything regarding this race
 - iv. Meghan Kulig added that ECASD is running an enroll now ad

IV. Old Business

- a. Strategic Plan presented by Mark Gobler
HANDOUT: Strategic Plan 18/19
 - i. Comprehensive Strategic Plan 19/20 Committee is being formed to decide strategies to evaluate the plan, identifying strengths, weaknesses, what is due for a change, etc. Larry Doyle is open to help but another facilitator should be sought who is a neutral party with no administration or pastors to which Becky Alexander recommended Patty Usher
 - ii. Very Rev. Derek Sakowski pointed out that the middle column of the document has been updated yearly since created but it is time to look at that left column and revisit what the challenges are at present
 - iii. Mark Gobler will present timeline to this body by March and conveyed that the recommendation by Larry Doyle is to review the strategic plan every 5-6 years
- b. Accreditation by Renee Cassidy
 - i. Data Report due next Friday
 - ii. Meeting on October 25 with Accreditation Committee to share progress and documentation
- c. Revised Diocesan Leadership Chart presented by Mark Gobler
HANDOUT: Diocesan Leadership Organizational Chart

- i. The changes have been made and the chart is up-to-date

V. New Business

- a. Altoona Road Construction/Athletic Complex presented by Mark Gobler
 - i. Regis Middle/High students transfer at Altoona, leave 10 minutes early due to Bartlett/KB Road Construction
 - ii. Altoona inviting Regis to use the Altoona Outdoor PE Complex when needed and the new complex is breaking ground in April with intention to be ready by the 19/20 school year
 - iii. Diocesan track meet at Altoona as a possibility
- b. Parish Festival Tuition Voucher Donation presented by Mark Gobler
 - i. \$250 Tuition Voucher for Silent Auction at parish festivals, let Mark Gobler know when your parish festivals are
- c. Dress Code Revision (specifically hair) presented by Principals
 - i. Debate within the group netted the following: neat and professional verbiage, lice issue, keeping it clean and sanitary, height limit for mohawks, finding good adjectives with room for discretion to the principals, elementary different than upper grades, a disciplinary policy aligned with the dress code, policy should not have ambiguity, with conversation finalized with Mark Gobler's comment that the dress code will be re-evaluated after the strategic plan framework has been established
- d. Personal Electronic Devices presented by Principals
 - i. No devices in classrooms during school hours, are retained in backpacks at the elementary and middle school levels, high school is per teacher preference
 - ii. Family issues should not set school policy, internet usage agreement is system-wide
 - iii. Mark Gobler will visit Immaculate Conception to discuss ideas
- e. Hispanic Outreach Coordinator presented by Mark Gobler
 - i. Anita Wahl has been hired, is also the McDonell Foreign Exchange Coordinator
 - ii. Available to help with interpretation during parent/teacher conferences, etc
 - iii. Mark Gobler will introduce Anita Wahl at each of the buildings next Tuesday

VI. School Reports attached

Miscellaneous:

*WAXX 104.5 Pledge of Allegiance at St. James Elementary

*WEAU Hello Wisconsin at St. James Elementary

*Parent Night on November 12: Paul Pedersen: School Safety
Pam Foegen: Mental Health
Mark Gobler: DOJ Grants

*Parent Night on January 21: Michelle Utz: Mental Health

*No October Meeting, Next Meeting November 15

Closing Prayer by Very Rev. Derek Sakowski

Adjournment at 6:13 p.m.

Regis Campus Commission Report

September – 2018

- 1) School is off to a great start. The 6th grade, 9th grade and new student orientations on Tuesday, Sept. 4th were very well attended. Parents of the 6th graders really appreciated being invited to the orientation (in the past it was students only). Parent open house hosted the evening of Monday, Sept. 10th were not well attended - Only 11 families for the middle school and 10 families showed up. We will be re-evaluating this open house for next year.
- 2) Athletic Teams this fall have had some nice success. Highlight has been at the conclusion of home football games at Carson where Fr. Sedlacek has both teams meet at midfield for prayer.
- 3) All MS and HS Student Safe Environment has been completed for the diocese.
- 4) Regis is working diligently to comply with the new state mandate for all unlocked door supervision by staff. Staff are assigned to monitor all unlocked doors starting at 7:15 until the start of the day when the doors are locked again for the entire day.
- 5) Theology department had a back to school meeting on Wednesday, August 29. We are excited to continue working on Catholic Identity, a Strengthened Curriculum, Secure Catholic Speakers, Organize Retreats, Welcome our new Chaplain – Fr. Sedlacek, etc.
- 6) Upcoming Calendar Items:
 - a. Sept. 18 – Sr. Retreat (Spiritus)
 - b. Sept. 19 – Jr. Retreat (Spiritus)
 - c. Sept. 19 – All School Mass (9:45)
 - d. Sept. 19 – Dr. Patchin to talk about Cyber-safety and Social Media Use
 - e. Sept. 26 – All School Mass (9:45)
 - f. Sept. 27 – Paul J. Kim – Chastity Speaker (8am for MS and 9:45 for HS)
 - g. Sept. 19 – Homecoming at Carson – 1pm
 - h. Oct. 2 – Soph Retreat (NET Ministries)
 - i. Oct. 3 – All School Mass (9:45)
 - j. Oct. 4 – Frosh Retreat (NET Ministries)



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IC School Report
Sept. 2018
Submitted by Renee Cassidy

Immaculate Conception School

- Staff training for Bloodborne Pathogens and Diabetes was August 30.
- New Science curriculum was implemented this year with training at back-to-school inservice.
- Open House went well on September 4 with 100% attendance.
- Enrollment is 204 this year—up ten students from last year.
- Four new teachers: Laura Hicks 1st, Jennifer Wampler 2nd, Madeline Jacobi 4th, Susan Daggett 4th
- First All School Mass was Thursday, September 13 with Father Daniel Sedlacek celebrating.
- Road construction will finally be finished September 21. It's been a challenge with bus arrivals and departures along with parents having to walk so far to our entrance.
- "Spirit Day" was September 14 and Popsicles were distributed.
- Aimsweb and PALS assessments began this week.

Regis
High
School

Regis
Middle
School

Immaculate
Conception
Elementary



St. James
Elementary

St. Mary's
Elementary

Genesis & Regis
Child
Development

St. James School Report

100% Attendance at Open House

Popsicles with the Principal went well

No busing issues despite the road construction

First Fire Drill using Crisis Go and the app was received well by staff, discovered a few glitches that we are working on

Amber Danielson RN, conducted our Bloodborne Pathogens training

Staff spoke highly of the Trauma Training by Pam Foegen

Lockers have been appreciated by students and teachers love the new shelving

Security door coming soon

New fifth grade teacher, Miss Bell, is finding her niche

St. James will record a Hello Wisconsin greeting next Tuesday on Regis Pride Day (Sept. 25) in spirit shirts

Fr. Tom has started his classroom visits rotation

First benefactor of our Jeans for Jesus was Sascha Stephens at IC

4th and 5th grades are looking forward to the STEM Shuttle at St. Mary's on Sept. 20

Fall baseline assessments are wrapping up

9/14/2018

Regis Catholic Schools Mail - (no subject)



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2 messages

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Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 11:43 AM

To: Carisa Smiskey <csmiskey@case.k12.wi.us>, Renee Cassidy <rcassidy@case.k12.wi.us>, Paul Pedersen <ppedersen@case.k12.wi.us>

If you can get me a school report sometime today or Monday for the Commission meeting that would be nice.

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Carisa Smiskey <csmiskey@case.k12.wi.us>

Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 11:54 AM

To: Mark Gobler <mgobler@case.k12.wi.us>

SM September Commission Report

- 1) We had 100% attendance at our Open House to kick off the school year. The students were sent on a scavenger hunt and received tokens for Culver's custard when completed.
- 2) Ms. Rigg has settled in at St. Mary's and has already become a valuable member of our faculty.
- 3) The students are using a new program during walking club that tracks the distance being walked. Students and staff can earn "Toe Tokens" for meeting monthly challenges.
- 4) Father Sakowski began his classroom visits on the first day of school and had Adoration with the classes in the first full week.
- 5) STEM Shuttle is visiting St. Mary's on September 20 to complete activities with the fourth and fifth grade students from St. James and St. Mary's.

We're off to a great start :)

Thanks,

Carisa

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