

Regis Catholic Schools
Education Commission Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 17, 2019
Regis Room 107, 5:00 p.m.

Present:

Becky Alexander	Meghan Kulig	Linda Schultz
Mark Gobler	Jackie Lutz	Rev. Dan Sedlacek
Brian Hoeschen	Linda Marx	Carisa Smiskey
Rev. Tom Krieg	Very Rev. Derek Sakowski	Rev. Francis Thadathil

Absent:

Rachel Brogelman	Rev. James Kurzynski	Reid Sollberger
Renee Cassidy	Kelly Mechelke	Bill Spangler
Gayle Flaig	Rev. Dan Oudenhoven	Bill Uelmen
Kelly Hughes	Paul Pedersen	
Rev. Brian Jazdzewski	Tanya Schmitz	

Minutes: Carisa Smiskey

1. Opening
 - Call to Order: Becky Alexander, 5:00 p.m.
 - Opening Prayer: Rev. Dan Sedlacek
 - Accepted November Minutes: Approved by Very Rev. Derek Sakowski and Linda Marx
2. Standing Committees
 - a. Catholic Identity: no report
 - b. School Life: no report
 - c. Teaching and Learning: meeting Tuesday, February 5
3. Central Office Reports
 - a. Communications Report presented by Meghan Kulig
 - i. The Diocesan videos are nearing completion.
 - ii. Parental Choice videos are in the making.
 - iii. Catholic Schools' Week is coming up. Inserts will be in the parish bulletins Sunday, January 27th.
 - iv. Fast Fact Sheets and postcards have gone out to preschool and kindergarten families.
 - v. Academic Course Booklet is being worked on at the high school.
 - vi. The Regis Catholic Schools website is being updated. It will be more streamlined and mobile friendly.

- b. High School Course Catalog presented by Meghan Kulig
 - i. The course catalog is a booklet listing all course offerings. It will explain opportunities with online courses and also utilize public school offerings.
 - c. Enrollment Coordinator Change presented by Mark Gobler
 - i. Karen Forden resigned to care for family in Michigan. The office needs will be met by Rachel Brogelman as she has already been trained in many areas of the office. Roberta Christensen, an Immaculate Conception parent, has been hired as the Enrollment and Choice Coordinator.
4. SWOT Survey (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Trends)
- a. Commission members were asked to fill out the survey and return it to Meghan. They have already been filled out by the administrative team, teachers, and support staff.
5. Old Business
- a. Strategic Plan Sessions will be held January 19th and February 16th.
 - i. SWOT surveys will be shared on January 19th.
 - ii. Plan will be written on February 16th.
 - iii. Meeting at St. Olaf - door 7, North Lane
 - iv. Spheres to be discussed include: finances, academics, Catholic Identity.
 - v. The last Strategic Plan was completed in 2013.
 - b. Parent Night, January 21, 2019
 - i. Sharon Besterfeldt is a mental health expert who will be talking about mental health from a parent's view and the possibility of starting a parent advocacy group. Michelle Uetz will be talking to the staff that morning.
 - ii. Mark is going to offer to be a Diocesan Center for Mental Health with Pam taking the lead.
 - iii. DOJ Safety Grand Update
 - Surveillance system is complete at Regis. New entry cameras and audio/visual updates cover the building well. There is extra coverage with the outside cameras.
 - The vendor will get back to us about when they will start the elementary buildings.
 - We will get reimbursed for the grant money quarterly.
 - There will be no cameras in the classroom.
6. New Business
- a. Wednesday Activities
 - i. There have been Middle School girls practices from 5:45 - 7:15 during parish activities which is acceptable under the current policy.
 - ii. Policy Review: Should times be part of the policy on how late teams can practice?

- iii. Travel teams are being discussed; are they hurting school teams?
- b. Catholic Schools Week
 - i. Schools passed out their respective schedules for this week.
 - ii. Father Sedlacek added the middle school Brains team will compete on the Saturday prior. The middle school is not sending a Brawns team.
- c. Immaculee Ilibagiza, a survivor of the Rwandan genocide, will be presenting about forgiveness, power of prayer, and healing at Regis on Friday, February 1st. She is the author of the book "Left to Tell." The cost of her presentation has been covered by donations.
- d. 2019-2020 Calendar
 - i. The Diocesan Inservice moved from September to October. It will be held the day after conferences, October 25th. Fall Break will be extended to Monday the 28th.
 - ii. On March 20th we will host the Diocesan Inservice.
 - iii. Brian Hoeschen asked that the last days of school for seniors and 8th graders be highlighted on the printed calendar.
- e. Legislator Visits
 - i. Representative Warren Petryk visited Regis on January 14th.
 - ii. Representative Kathy Bernier will visit St. Mary's on February 11th.
 - iii. Representative Jesse James will visit St. Marys & Regis on a date to be determined.
 - iv. Representative Jodi Emerson will visit Regis & Immaculate Conception on a date to be determined. Representative Emerson is a former Eau Claire School Board member.
 - v. Representative Jeff Smith will visit St. James and the Regis government class on Friday, January 25th.

Closing Prayer by Rev. Dan Sedlacek

Adjournment

Next Meeting: March 21, 2019