

**Cedar Valley Catholic Schools
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
July 2, 2009**

In Attendance:

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Pastor</u>	<u>Lay Representative</u>
Blessed Sacrament	Father Juhl	Russ Heiple Mary Nichols
Queen of Peace	Father Jose	J.J Meier
Sacred Heart	Father Jaeger	Mark Russell Jana Schmitt
St. Edward	Father Kopacek	Tim Kneeland Mark Gallagher
St. Patrick	Father Secora	Liza Hulme Suzy Luecke

Absent: J. J. Meier , Father Secora

CVCS Office

Cathy Walz	Director of Education
Tom Drish	Controller

Administrators

Tom Ulses	Columbus
Nancy Stirm	Blessed Sacrament
Pam Schowalter	St. Edward
Amy Sandvold	Sacred Heart

Call to Order:

Russ Heiple called the meeting to order at 5:05. Tim Kneeland led the opening prayer.

Approval of Minutes:

Father Jaeger made the motion to accept the February minutes as read. Tim Kneeland seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Correspondence:

Kathy Murphy- 5th grade teacher at Sacred Heart- her mother passed away
Becky McElroy- Columbus secretary- her mother passed away
Jane Frost- Kindergarten teacher at Sacred Heart- her mother-in-law passed away
Alice Conlin- Archdiocese- her sister passed away
Blessed Sacrament- Home and School Association- Governs Award
Sacred Heart- Float won Grand Marshall's award for Sturgis Falls Parade

Information:

New DRE Rep- Hazel Amrtin
New St. Edwards Rep- Mark Gallagher
New Blessed Sacrament Rep- Mary Nichols

Address to the Board: None

Inservice: None

Action Items:

ND Vision Out-of-State Trip approval Tom Ulses - Tom reviewed the trip that was held on the Notre Dame Campus as a leadership retreat. Several Columbus students attended, with Mary Peterson. Father Juhl made the motion to approve, Mark Russell made the second. The motion was carried.

CVCS Board Elections- Father Jaeger- Father Kopacek nominated Russ Heiple for President, Russ accepted the nomination, no other nominations were brought, Mark Russell made the second, all approved. Mark Russell nominated J.J Meier for Vice President, she accepted the nomination, no other nominations were brought Suzy Luecke made the second, all approved. Russ Heiple nominated Suzy Luecke for Secretary, she accepted, no other names were brought, Jana Schmitt made the second, all approved.

Finance Committee Approval- Mr. Tom Drish

Tom presented the latest financial report, Tim Kneeland made the motion to approve, Mark Russell made the second, all approved.

Tom presented the 2009-2010 Daycare rates. Much discussion was had on the proposal to move from a family rate to a per child rate and the affect this would have on families with more than two children in daycare. Tom informed the Board this was being proposed after market research was done across the area, along with looking to improve the programs through the increase. The board asked Tom to go back to the Finance Committee with the concerns voiced and return with an new proposal.

Tom presented the 2009-2010 lunch rates as remaining at the same.

Certified Staff Resignations - Mrs. Cathy Walz

Corrine Brown, Middle School at BS

Angie Hileman, 4th grade at SE

Tracey Liljegren, .5 FTE, 4th grade at SE

Tracy Simon, .5FTE, 4th grade at SE and .4 FTE preschool at SH

Father Juhl made the motion to accept the resignation, Jana Schmitt made the second, the motion carried.

Certified Staff Approvals- Mrs. Cathy Walz

Michael Makosiej, CHS Theology

Tracy Simon, 4th grade at SE

Dana Loecke, 2nd grade at SE

Tim Kneeland made the motion to approve the hires, Mary Nichols made the second, the motion passed.

Technology Planning- Mrs. Cathy Walz

Tom Drish and Cathy Walz reported that the CVCS Finance Committee was enthusiastic about the future technology plans. The committee will look at the proposed funding arrangements and offer a recommendation to the CVCS Board.

CVCS Handbook Revisions- Mrs. Cathy Walz

Cathy Walz discussed the background in changes to the Handbook, Tom Ulses discussed the changes that affected the Columbus. Dress code changes were discussed and clarified, much discussion was had on the Good Conduct section related to substance abuse/misuse. The verbiage was changed to be consistent with other area high schools and Archdiocesan recommendations. After much discussion on the eligibility and participation rules regarding those students that have been found to be in violation of eligibility due to substance abuse, Father Jaeger suggested a sub-committee be formed to review this and make suggestions for the future. Father Jaeger made the motion to approve the revisions to the CVCS Handbook, Mary Nichols made the second. The motion was carried

Old Business:

09/10 CVCS Enrollment Figures - Mrs. Cathy Walz

Cathy Walz presented the printout of the up to date enrollment and reported that we are very close to exceeding 100% as a system. Building Administrators continue to work with new families and work to obtain registration from returning families.

New Business: None

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Adjournment:

Russ Heiple made a motion to adjourn at 6:35 pm. Tim Kneeland made the second. The motion was carried.

The next meeting is August 6, 2009 at Columbus
(Submitted by Suzy Luecke)