

St. Helen Board Meeting Notes

8-4-21

Present: *Principal Vance, Fr. Ed, Tim Bopp, Tim Liston, Maria Ippolito, Patrick Skertich, Staci Slattery*

Pastor's Report:

Working through summer to bring together 4 parishes- to form one new parish

Claudio Diaz is the new pastor- was pastor at St. Aloysius

Fr. Ed moving to St. Aloysius rectory- less than one mile from St. Helen- Fr. Ed has office at St. Helen

Fr. Ed will be associate pastor and chaplain priest at school

Main hub for new parish is St. Helen

Masses will continue at each church through the year- next year will be final masses at other churches

Can we tap into other churches for enrollment? Kids at each of these parishes- looking into RE programs-

Fr. to arrange a tour of St. Aloysius- great facility that school will now have access to

Board President Report: NA

Parents Club/Committee

Golf Outing and Trivia Night 18K

Uniform Swap- great opportunity – for donations- new families attended

Staff Meals- raised \$105 for teacher meals

1 year out from Carnival- Maria to lead on this- looking to put together committee- finding ways to highlight 8th graders at the carnival

Make St. Helen more prominent in the carnival

Next parent meeting August 26th

Need to set dates for community building events

Staci BOSH Update

Had meeting last week

Looking to amplify fundraising

First event Sept 18th- STEM step type event- STEM STEP normal event in May

Hoping to do Bosh Ball in November

Kitchen update needs to happen- but need clarity about what space is used for-

Looking to bring a theater program to St. Helen

Dad's Club

Looking for a new leader

Turning everything over to Maria S- accounting info, website etc- now we need to find some dads to take the lead

Parish Council

Has not been able to met

Other commissions are remaining active- assisting with liturgies,

Marketing Report

Tuesday Tours- ongoing

Looking for school board to help with some tours in August

Welcome letters to new families

Meet and greet- event going to take place on August 28th or 29th

Use church parking lot?

Principal Report

319 enrolled as of today

Some people leaving for public schools

Receiving inquiries for preschool

78 kids in preschool

2 kindergartens

Plumbing issue but will be fixed before school starts

View Sonic Board- don't need a projector- super high tech

16 boards purchased and professional development

20 macbook pros for the teachers

Hired- Jeanette Hoffman- for Prek

3rd Grade Teachers

Natalie Rush- CPS

Ginny Eber- Bennet Day School

3rd grade teachers working together

Moved 3rd grade classrooms next to one another

5-8th in one hallway

Art teacher hired- Roni

asst principal started last week- Kathleen Johnson- from St. Viator

Regional Director- let go from OCS

Now Dana has a mentor from OCS

Science materials- Mrs. Sharma organized science lab-

Leadership Day today and Covid protocol- BASICALLY JUST WEAR A MASK AND EVERYTHING BACK TO NORMAL!

Drop off by gym doors will continue- 7:45-8:00 1st- 8th 8:00-8:15 Prek/K

- Everything back to normal except we will wear masks
- Proof of vaccination for teachers?
- Volunteers in the building- are allowed- limited- if vaccinated
- Before and after care TBD
- After school clubs allowed/Field trips allows