

John Paul II Academy
Board Meeting Minutes
August 11, 2009
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The John Paul II Academy board meeting was called to order on Tuesday, August 11, 2009 with Jay Groves presiding. Those present included: Lynn Wilt, Fr. Bill Burks, Tim Bickel, Jane Parker, Tom Box, Fr. Peter Do, Bart Weigel, GERALYN MERILATT, Linda Wuertz, Nick Eckhart, John Frank, and Fr. Wayne Jenkins.

Jay led the opening prayer.

After the introduction of the board members, Jay conducted the election of new officers. Bart Weigel was elected Chair, Maria Bowles was elected Vice-chair (with her approval), and GERALYN MERILATT was elected Secretary. After elections, Jay Groves turned the conduct of the meeting to the newly elected chair, and he left the meeting.

Pastors' Report: Nothing to report.

Principal's Report: Lynn Wilt-Official notification was received that JPIIA is approved for certification by the the Kentucky Board of Education from July 1, 2009-June 30, 2014. The detailed written report will probably not be received for another 6-9 months. Licensing has been received for the addition of the three year old program (including after school care). Plans are to use the upper room of the Community Center for the program. This will free the cafeteria after 3:30 p.m. for use by other groups. The 2 assistants were hired today. Enrollment for K-8 is 299 (285 was used for budgeting) with the possibility of an additional 7 students. Enrollment for the 3-4 year old program is 23. With the installation of "Edline", parents/guardians will have access to the grades of their children on line. This program also allows teachers to update their own web page in a timelier manner. An additional server was added during the summer. The "old" server will be used as a backup. Mrs. Wimberg will substitute for teachers on maternity leave during the year. John Frank volunteered to be the Board's representative to the Boosters.

Teachers' Report: No report. The teacher representative to the Board will be determined at the faculty meeting this week.

Finance Committee: Tim Bickel-A balance sheet showing the details of the JPIIA '09-'10 budget was distributed. This will be clarified and sent to the parishes for distribution to parishioners.

Buildings and Grounds Committee: Nick Eckhart-Nick, the newly appointed committee chair had a number of questions regarding the facility. During the recent heavy rains, the school experienced no significant water problems. Fr. Bill reported that the St. Pius X ground is in a "flood plains" area. With moderate rain, there is possibility of water problems, especially in the Church.

Technology Committee: Lynn reported there is no formal report. Flat screen monitors will be in all classrooms this year, and all teachers have access to "Edline".

Development and Marketing Committee: This committee will be re-named the Fund Raising and Public Relations Committee in accordance with the newly reorganized Board (see below) and will be chaired by Linda Wuertz.

PTO: Linda Wuertz-Linda is the newly appointed Board representative to the PTO. At the most recent PTO meeting, the PTO approved an expenditure of \$8200 for replacement computer equipment. This is in addition to the \$4000 previously approved. After discussion, **Geralyn Merilatt made a motion (seconded by John Frank) that the PTO be approved the expenditure of \$8200 for replacement computer equipment. The motion was unanimously approved.**

Old Business:

1. **Reorganization of School Board-**With the reorganization of the Board, the Board meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of every other month beginning with the August, 2009 meeting. The sub-committees of the Board will meet on the 2nd Tuesday of every other month beginning with the September, 2009 meeting. School parents and parishioners of the 3 supporting parishes were asked of their interest to serve on the committees. The names of these volunteers were distributed to each committee chair, and each chair will personally contact these potential committee members. A lengthy discussion followed regarding committee member terms and length. Bart and Lynn will develop a proposal to present at the next meeting. A joint introductory meeting for sub-committee members (conducted by Bart Weigel) will be held on September 8th.
2. **Removal of the modular units:** Fr. Bill reported that St. Pius X did not foresee a use for them. The modular units were removed last Thursday and Friday. The surrounding wood decking was removed by parishioners, saving approximately \$600. The electric poles will remain but the service has been turned off. The remaining area may need to be re-surfaced later.

New Business:

1. **Funding for Rain Garden:** Lynn Wilt presented a proposal for a Rain Garden to be installed in the grassy area behind the school building. A total of \$8900 is required to prepare the area (approximately 625 sq.ft.) and for plant purchase. The PTO has approved the funding for the project. **Geralyn Merilatt made a motion (seconded by Jane Parker) that the \$8900 expenditure by the PTO for the Rain Garden be approved contingent upon the approval of the St. Pius X parish council. The motion was unanimously approved.** Fr. Bill and Nick Eckhart will take the proposal to the next parish council meeting.
2. **Funding for Technology Committee:** See PTO above.
3. **Addendum to By Laws:** After discussion, **Tom Box made a motion (seconded by Linda Wuertz) that the By Laws be amended to reflect the Board reorganization i.e. the Board meetings will be on the 2nd Tuesday of every other month beginning in August, 2009. The motion was unanimously approved.**
4. **Other:** Fr. Bill asked the status of the gym banners. John Frank will follow up with Jay Groves.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

The committee meetings will be 7 p.m. September 8, 2009.

The next Board meeting is 7 p.m. October 13, 2009.

