

Carencro Catholic School

Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

August 23, 2017

Members Present: Fr. Mark Ledoux, Pastor
Andre Angelle, Principal
Bob Simpson, Board Chairman
Jennifer Abrams, Board Co-Chairman
Rebecca Bonvillain
Paula Frederick
Tricia Menard
Tara Primeaux
Dwayne Areneaux
Jason Guidry

Members Absent: Tricia Menard

The Meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM.

- I. Opening Prayer** – Led by Father Ledoux
- II. Approval of Minutes** – The minutes were reviewed by the council. It was motioned by Rebecca Bonvillain and seconded by Jennifer Abrams to approve the minutes from the April 26, 2017 meeting of the CCS Advisory Council. Motion Passed.
- III. Old Business-**
 - A. Update on Registration** – 301 students currently enrolled at CCS.
 - B. Fete Des Amis decision** – Mrs. Paula gave an overview of the projected fundraiser. It was agreed the council was voting this night on the terms it will be mandatory for each family to sell two tickets to the event. It is also understood that the fundraiser tickets will be presented in a way to parents that they have the option to sell one or both tickets and earn their money

back. Father suggested decreasing the prize amount to \$5,000 and offer a free tuition as well. There was also discussion of a “layaway” option or payment plans to present to parents in a feasible payment option. Jason Guidry motioned to move forward with the new fundraiser and Rebecca second with all in favor to mandate:

1. 2 Tickets sold per family are mandatory
2. \$200 cost for two tickets
3. Fete des Amis will replace other fundraisers
4. There will be a 500-ticket sale cap

IV. New Business -

- A. New Exit Survey Results** – Twelve more surveys were received since the previous meeting. There was an 85-86% satisfaction and has not changed since the last meeting as well. Jason suggested giving kudos to the staff on the positive feedback and to also address any repeat concerns that may need improvement. It was suggested to survey the active families at CCS and if we can create our own on AdvancED or to use grade/age sections on Survey Monkey to create the survey. The results should be presented to parents with active family results and the exit survey results at the same time.
- B. Roles of the Committee Chairs** – Committee chairs will be sending reports from different committees to eliminate the off-month meetings of the advisory board meetings. The reports are for the advisory members to be up to date on current areas of the school.
- a. **Athletic** – Rebecca Bonvillain & Bob Simpson
 - b. **Policy** – Bob Simpson
 - c. **Facility** – Dwayne Arceneaux
 - d. **Development** – Tara Primeaux
 - e. **Curriculum** – Jennifer Abrams
 - f. **Technology** – Jennifer Abrams
 - g. **Religion** – Tricia Menard
 - h. **PTC** – Jason Guidry

V. Committee Reports –

- A. Finance** – The projected operating budget summary is very close to breaking even, before the unbudgeted fundraisers.
- B. Policy** – Currently working on PTC bylaws.
- C. Facility** – An a/c unit has been changed in the create a space lab but was already owned by CCS and there were only labor costs. The roofer will be visiting to give an estimate. The security cameras were very successful in helping aid local police view the break-in of a neighboring home. So, they are working great. The new gym concessions look very nice and doors will be made to close the concession area when not in use. Darren will be also making new cabinets for the teachers' lounge since the old ones were damaged in the recent flooding.
- D. Development** – Mrs. Paula received some responses on items that could be included on the I-49 billboard. The skeet shoot is coming along and there are commitments of 4-H participants from ages 9-18. Schilling denied the request to provide alcohol so currently looking for other sponsor options. Some of the new items added to the auction is a \$1600 value lab puppy, a k-2 cooler and wilderness gift certificate.
- E. Curriculum** – A study of students who read daily and those who don't appeared in the crusader news which was very informative.
- F. Technology** – The new 3-D printer is up and running in the "Rob Pontiff Technology Center". Currently the students are learning how to operate the new printer. The laptops and carts are in the classrooms and are being used.
- G. Religion** – There were three masses so far this year and one benediction. There was a successful teacher retreat with Father Patin this summer.
- H. PTC** – The first member meeting was on August 24. The purpose of the PTC is to give families a voice/mediator for any issue/s concerning them. PTC meetings will be every other month and there will be a prep meeting for members two weeks prior to scheduled meeting. The majority of the previous member meeting was spent on athletics and the newly created board meetings created for athletics throughout the year.
 - a. Concern if the music at mass could be livened/amped up keeping in mind the audience at mass of young individuals.
 - b. Bringing in the light blue shirt option for boys and girls. Father suggested to implement the new dress code September 5. On mass days boys must till wear gray and girls the white. Also, allowing boys

and girls to all have the option of wearing grey, white or light blue shirt.

- c. Adding sperry top siders to the dress code will not be allowed due to safety for P.E. and the burden of carrying tennis shoes to school.
- d. Handicap Parking of two spots will added with signs installed.
- e. Craig will be moving the flag pole most likely to the courtyard.

I. Athletics – No Report

VI. Members Input - None

VII. Chairperson's Report – Bob Simpson hopes everyone has a safe Labor Day weekend and prays for God's mercy to keep us all safe from storms this hurricane season.

VIII. Pastor's Report – Father says it has been a great start to a new year with great spirit from the faculty, staff and the students. There was a very nice teacher in service and there is lots of positive things happening at school. The new teachers are adjusting well at CCS. Keep Msgr. Broussard in everyone's prayers while he is going through colon cancer.

IX. Principal's Report – Mrs. Angelle said it was a great start to a new school year. It was mentioned among faculty and staff is has been one of the most positive start of school in years and she hopes for a great year to come.

X. Closing Prayer – Led by Father Ledoux

XI. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 8:53pm.