

**Sacred Heart Area School
Board Meeting
Wednesday, May 3, 2017
Conference Room in Rectory**

Those present were Jim Opelia, Katie Noska, Chris Perius, Tom Brichacek, Michael Cole, Susan Storry, Father Joe, RoAnn Trout, and Sarah Gregerson.

Absent: Tina Maros

Chairperson Tom called the meeting to order at 5:16 pm.

Katie moved to accept the agenda. Sarah seconded. Approved.
The minutes from the April 5th meeting were reviewed. Mike made a motion to approve the minutes. Katie seconded. Approved.

1) Principal Jim Opelia presented the Board with the Parochial School Report.

Recent Events

MNSAA Team Visit: The team visited SHAS on April 11th and 12th, observing our school to see how we meet the MNSAA Standards and live out our mission, philosophy and school strategic plan (SSP). Staff arrived by 7:30am to meet and greet team members. Home and School officers prepared a continental breakfast for the guests. The team was then given a tour of the school grounds. The team spent most of the first day observing classrooms, interviewing individuals, looking through record keeping, etc... The second day was spent mostly composing the report.

SHAS Easter Egg Hunt was held April 9th

Adopt a Highway Cleanup was held April 19th

Pizza/Dance/Slumber Party - On April 21st at 6pm. This was a great event, with over 100 in attendance, with 34 students spending the night.

Arts and Academic Awards Week was April 24-28

Arts and Academic Awards Performance Night was held April 26th

Secretary's Day was April 26th

Leadership Day - for the Diocese was held April 27th in St. Joseph. The subject was welcoming and including people of other cultures into our parishes and schools.

First Communion – April 29th

Audubon Center Field Trip Grades 4-5, May 1-3

Upcoming Events

SHAS Sprint into Summer 5K and Kids Fun Run will take place Saturday May 6th. Register early for a free tee-shirt. Last May 14th, SHAS had its 1st 5K Run and 1K for Kids. 47 people participated in the 5K including some SHAS students. About 24 children ran the 1K. Several participants ran / jogged more than usual in the preceding months leading up to the event, benefiting them a great deal. This run is undoubtedly a huge service toward better health and wellness for our community.

Spring Blast- May 6th

May 17th - PreK Graduation/Concert (T/Th)

May 18th - PreK Graduation/Concert (W/F)

May 18th - 5th Grade Graduation

May 19th - Kindergarten Graduation

May 30th - Pre-K-5th Paul Bunyan Land Field Trip

Last Day of School June 2nd

Language Arts (LA)/Reading - Development of Scales Training and Workshop will take place August 22 and 23. Diocesan teachers and principals will gather to gain a better understanding of the LA standards and the development of LA scales.

Committee Reports

Fundraising Committee: Spring blast is this weekend. There are lots of preparations taking place and finding help is difficult. There was discussion for a babysitting option for parents so they are able to attend Spring Blast in the future.

Budget/Finance: No meeting last month.

Personnel/Human Resources: No meeting last month.

PR Mktg. / Development: No meeting last month.

Curriculum: No meeting last month.

New Business

2017 – 2018 School Calendars: Committee reviewed the proposed school calendar for next year. Spring blast is scheduled for 5/5/18, but may need to be moved to a later date for 1st Communion. The calendar will be finalized before September 2017.

MNSAA Team Visit: The committee review MNSAA's report. There are some areas that need improvement and many areas that we had great reviews from the team. We will take the proper steps to make improvements where needed.

Old Business

Board Member Candidates: Katie will be taking over the remaining 2 years left of Sarah's term. Chris is undecided about renewing his term. There are two positions on the board that are open for election. The committee was brainstorming about potential candidates for the open positions. Board members will ask potential candidates if they would be interested joining the board.

Technology Improvement Plan: Spring blast's special project this year will be technology. The school will be asking for donations at the live auction specifically to go to the purchase of chrome books and upgrading projectors in class rooms. SHAS is working with the district to purchase the chrome books at \$299.00 each. SHAS plans to purchase 15 chrome books for 4th & 5th grade. Mrs. Trout said there are some online classes about how to operate chrome books. There is also some online help desks and resources.

Next meeting – Wed., June 7th at 5:15 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:15 p.m.
Closing prayer- led by Father Joe.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sarah Gregerson