

JACS BOARD MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 21, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tony Greenwood, President/St. Peter's Parish Representative
Michael Teeter, Vice-President/St. Mary's Parish Representative
Pat Lonardo, Secretary/Sacred Heart Parish Representative
Patricia Moore, Treasurer; Building & Grounds/St. Peter's Parish Representative
Ann Hamlet, Principal/St. Mary's Elementary School
Greg Emory, Principal/St. Peter's Middle School
Gene Koester, Principal/McAuley High School
Tara Horinek/St. Mary's Parish Representative
Sr. Joan Margret Schwager/Sisters of Mercy Representative
Joe Patzner/Sacred Heart Parish Representative
Fr. Justin Monaghan, Pastor/St. Mary's Parish
Fr. J. Friedel, Pastor/St. Peter's Parish

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Fr. Rahab Isidor, Pastor/Sacred Heart Parish

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kelly Kelso/Development Director
Chris Churchwell/Finance

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Kathy Schriever/Development Secretary

GUESTS:

Amy Sieglinger, Dan Pekarek (both from Development Board)

President Tony Greenwood called the meeting to order.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Several offered.

OPENING PRAYER: Given by Tony Greenwood

PRINCIPAL REPORTS: (available online)

Ann Hamlet: In addition to the previously submitted report:

One new student has enrolled. Nearly \$900 was raised for the monthly charity—this month was the CP Center. A donation was also donated to thank Bishop Johnson and wish him well as he leaves our diocese. St. Mary's also received a grant for \$1800 for its library.

Greg Emory: In addition to the previously submitted report:

There are now 71 students enrolled. There has been landscaping, including trees, done recently. Mr. Emory also discussed the Renaissance Program.

Gene Koester: In addition to the previously submitted report:

The new Guatemalan student has arrived. Jane Fethers received the Distinguished Teacher award for the Western side of the diocese, continuing a tradition of JACCS teachers receiving Diocesan recognition. Mr. Koester also discussed preliminary negotiations with Dr. Ridder and Joplin R-8 regarding use of public school property for sporting events. He also announced that the annual Bishop's Walk will occur

(even without the appointment of a new Bishop); McAuley students were selected to create the design for the t-shirts for the event. There are some issues with the busses; there is a plan to sell the bus with air brakes and use that money for bus repairs and/or partial payment on a new bus. All three principals attended September meeting of the St. Peter's PCCW to discuss the school system. St. Peter's PCCW donated \$300 to each school. McAuley will hold an Open House on Tuesday, November 10 at 6 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance: Chris Churchwell presented the report. This is the period of "make up time" when budget adjustments are made.

Development/Fundraising: Dan Pekarek introduced Kelly Kelso as the new Development Director. She has already gotten the aforementioned library grant for St. Mary's Elementary. She is working approximately 53 other grants, has submitted 10 and waiting on response from them.

Kelly is in the process of compiling wish lists from faculty members to gauge their needs/interests. A major goal is to obtain grants to fund all textbooks needed now and in the future. She also plans to obtain grants to update all library books.

This year's theme for the Annual Appeal is "Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service". Mailings will be going out soon.

Alumni: The Alumni Association will meet next week.

Building & Grounds: Patricia Moore provided a diagram of the landscaping occurring around St. Peter's Middle School. A motion was made for approval, including approximate costs. Tara moved/Sr. Joan seconded, and it was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Tony and Michael provided information about the qualifications/job description/funding for the new position of System Coordinator. There was discussion about the fact that past boards have declared this position was needed, but none took action on it. The Development Board (represented by Dan Pekarek) is in agreement that this position is needed. The proposed preliminary job description, with a few minor adjustments/corrections, was approved. (Fr. J moved/Patricia seconded)

NEW BUSINESS:

Tony received an email from a family who pulled their child from JACS. In the past, "exit surveys" were conducted, but were discontinued. Gene will try to find old surveys and see if they can be modified and used in the future. These surveys may be used for more than "exit" surveys—instead of asking "why are you leaving", they might be used to answer "why are you staying". This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Another item to be discussed further next month, after additional research is completed, is the possibility of recruiting students from other faith-based schools (for example, Martin Luther School students coming to St. Peter's/McAuley since there is no Lutheran high school, and some years have very small grade 6-8 classes).

CLOSING PRAYER: Given by Fr. Justin

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 18, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Elementary School.