

School Committee Meeting Minutes September 10, 2024

School Committee Members Present:

Michelle Hagen	Luke Feudner
Fr. Reed	Dan Scholz
Hayley Thomas	Erica Byfield
Tony Dompke	

Meeting began with a prayer by Erica Byfield.

Brief introductions of committee members.

Overview of the purpose and responsibilities of the SAC (handout was provided): Michelle Hagen

- A committee of the Pastoral Counsel
- We are not a decision-making body
- Support the viability and sustainability of the school

Open discussion regarding the SAC handout

- Home and School Events/Breakfast with Santa
- Building back the connection between MGC and the Boy Scout Troop
- Getting MGC back to how it was

Pastor's Report: Father Reed

- We have a new interim principal, Michelle Hagen

Principal's Report: Michelle Hagen

- Provided an overview of the budget
 - The budget was originally built on an enrollment of 170
 - A new budget was built on an enrollment of 175
 - MGC currently has an enrollment of 176
 - The per pupil dollar amount is around 10,000
 - Operational budget of school is around 1.8 million dollars
 - Salary structure
 - The goal was for fair and equitable salaries
 - Salaries from the original budget needed to be adjusted
 - Current expenses are around 1.7 million dollars
 - The textbook cost was over \$48,000
 - We will be getting some second-hand social studies books
 - Next year a social studies series will need to be looked into
- Possibility of having K3 in January
 - Michelle has fielded numerous calls about interest in K3

Cafeteria Report: Michelle Hagen

- A new cafeteria manager was hired
- We did not pass our most recent health inspection
- We also had some issues with compliance with the state Food Program
- We are an all-school free lunch program. We need to have 62.5% pupil participation in the benefit program to maintain this. Right now we are at 65%.
- Teachers have received training on the new program guidelines
- Possibility of finding new food vendors or creating more meals from scratch

ECP Report: Michelle Hagen

- ECP and Cafeteria pay some of their money back to the school
 - No specific rate
- ECP is in a good place budget-wise
- Benny's report:
 - Enrollment of 54 students
 - Hours from 6:30 AM-7:30 3:15-6:00 PM
 - Daily attendance is around 42 students
 - The summer program went well
 - The weekly schedule was shared

Athletic Report: Carden Mahler's notes

- Over 50 kids are participating in Fall Soccer and Volleyball
- Looking forward to a basketball and cheer season

Improvements: Michelle Hagen

- New fence is coming up

Wish List/Updates/Other News

- Recruiting and retaining new students
 - Marketing ideas
 - Making our school building more appealing
 - New fence
 - New doors
 - New carpeting
 - Revitalize the prayer space
 - An electric sign might be coming
 - It needs a bit more fundraising
 - A recruitment flyer and event to canvass the neighborhood regarding the fall enrollment
- Science lab will be put back into use
- Hoping that parishioners mark on their envelopes that they are giving towards the specific needs of the school
- Getting school families to Mass
- School-wide rummage sale

- Family breakfast or lunch would be an idea to bring back
- Trunk or treat or vendor fair
 - New restrictions are coming from the Archdiocese
- We would like to see a Safeguarding course held at school
- 6 more kids coming to MGC this year could make a big difference
- An updated accreditation report has yet to be seen
- Title 1 services have started
 - We have both a Title 1 Math and a Title 1 ELA teacher
- 100th anniversary coming up - reaching out to alums for help
- New principal is search committee will be in the works

Closing Prayer: Tony Dompke