

St. John Regional Catholic School

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School Board Agenda

April 27, 2010 - 6:00-7:30PM

School Board Members

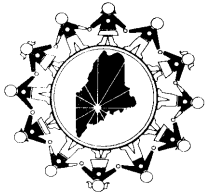
Fr. Phil Tracy – Parish Administrator
Mrs. Val Wheeler – Administrator
Mrs. Janice Souviney – Child Care Center Director
Mrs. Kerry Smart – Director of Development & PR
Mr. Bob Bizier – Board Member
Mr. Scott Giroux – Board Member
Mr. Brian Kelly – Board Member

Mr. Russ Clavette – School Board Chair
Mr. Jeff Wrigley – Board Member
Mrs. Diane Charland – Board Member
Mr. Ryan Loubier – Board Member
Mr. Gerry Poissonier – Board Member
Mr. Jim Mathieu – Board Member

Agenda Items

- I. Opening Prayer (Fr. Tracy)
- II. Announcements
- III. Reports (Board)
 - a. Administrators Report (Mrs. Wheeler)
 - b. Child Care Center Director Report (Mrs. Souviney)
 - c. Director of Development & Public Relations Report (Mrs. Smart)
- IV. New School Principal Position Update (Fr. Tracy)
- V. Open School Board Chair Position (Board)
- VI. Defining School Board Member Selection Process (Mrs. Charland)
- VII. School Pride Attire / School Uniform Discussion (request from floor)
- VIII. Pastors Remarks (Fr. Tracy)

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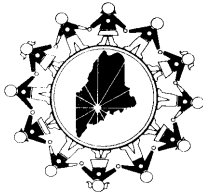
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Administrators Report

- At the time of this writing, the current enrollment based on registrations for the 2010-2011 school year is 73.
 - 11 kindergarteners
 - 19 first graders
 - 13 second graders
 - 9 third graders
 - 10 fourth graders
 - 7 fifth graders
 - 4 sixth graders
- Our Jump-a-thon was very successful. The children and Mrs. Cates worked very hard to put on a special presentation for the parents and guests. It was great to see several junior high alumni in the audience that day to cheer on the children.
- The Easter Egg Hunt/Celebration went well. This is always a great time for new parents to network with other parents.
- On March 27th we had a group of children represent our school at the annual Big Brother/Big Sister Fund raiser at the bowling alley. The children had a great time and we would like to acknowledge Ken Quirion for making the pledge that qualified our team to participate.
- During Holy Week the children were able to participate in two special prayer services. On Holy Thursday the children took part in a Seder meal. Then on Good Friday, we all went to the church and did the Stations of the Cross. . Fr. Dan facilitated the prayer and each class took turns leading us in prayer.
- At our last PTFA, Mrs. Sirois and Mrs. Kimball did a presentation for parents to learn more about the sixth grade and how it was going to work. We have our schedule ready for the 2010-2011 school year.
- We held a muffin morning and a school store on the 9th of April. We also had children participating in the Taconnet Credit Union Program that was started at our school during Catholic School Week. This is a great resource for families.
- On April 12th Bishop Malone and Sr. Rosemary came to visit our school. They were able to spend time in each classroom, including our preschool friends. Bishop Malone stated again how excited he was about our expansion and the enthusiasm he feels about Catholic Education that is generated at our school. We were able to treat them to a special luncheon with foods donated by parents and hosted by Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Clavette. This truly is a wonderful time for staff to have that special time with Bishop Malone and Sr. Rosemary to talk and share special interests.
- We will be starting a few recycling projects in the school this spring. Mrs. Brown approached me about the possibility of recycling more paper, juice pouches and glue sticks. She has been able to get the help of other parents and they would be willing to pick up these items and get them to where they would need to be. We will begin small with the hopes of getting into larger projects. It would be nice for the school to become a better example to our children about the importance of taking care of our planet.
- Countries Night was a huge success! Teachers and children worked very hard and learned lots of information about many countries. The children seem to enjoy sharing the many facts they learn with their families. This year we included a book fair for families to be able to take advantage of while they were here. Based on comments I heard, it appears as though that was a great addition to our countries night. Families were able to select books for their children to read over vacation.
- It appears that the flea market date is getting out to the public because we are getting calls pretty frequently wanting to drop off things or people are just inquiring about details so they don't miss out. I would like to thank the board for taking this on as their personal fundraiser event. I feel it would be wonderful if this could become an annual event.

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- After vacation we will have a very busy end of the year. At a quick glance, we have a little more than 30 school days left of school. We will be notifying parents about the end of the school year dates and events. We did not use up all our snow days so that will change the end of the year dates.

Respectfully submitted by Mrs. Wheeler

Preschool/ Aftercare Report

- We currently have 44 children enrolled in the preschool in the fall. Our 4 year old program has one full time opening and 3-4 on a M-W-F. The mixed 3-4 year old has several full time openings (3-5), and the new 2 1/2 -3 year old program has one full time opening and 2 on M-W-F. I'm still getting calls and arranging tours.
- We have 14 aftercare registrations in, they are coming slowly so I have Louise adding that we are accepting registration at this time to the weekly newsletter as a reminder.
- Our final amount raised for JDRF was \$1347.00, the children and staff are very proud of the amount we raised. Kerry was a huge help arranging our education program leading up to the hop-a-thon. The children learned about juvenile diabetes before they hopped and now they hope for a cure.
- The children had a special visit with the Bishop. I would like to thank the parents that put on the luncheon that day, they always do a wonderful job. We are fortunate to have them on our St. John family.
- Countries Night was a success, many of our families visited that evening. Any time we can all get together to show off our school and the work the children are doing is a good thing.
- Kerry is checking into Step-Up Day for the children going to "K".
- Our Preschool Graduation will be on June 4, we just have a little over a month to prepare! We will have day care the following week, June 7 - 11. Our summer care program starts June 14th, a week earlier than we anticipated.

Respectfully submitted by Mrs. Souviney

Development/PR Office Report

- Worked on two ads this month – ad for St. Francis Cemetery and ad for Countries Night for the Morning Sentinel
- Follow up with potential families that had not registered sending them Forget Me Not Packets
- Invited all preschool and potential families to Countries Night
- Worked on promotion with local media outlets for Jump A Thon, Countries Night, Flea Market promotion and visit with Bishop
- Adopt a Student Campaign reintroduced
- Worked on next year's budget
- Had two tours this month with potential families
- Have draft of Alumni Newsletter
- Attended Business to Business Showcase for Mid Maine Chamber
- Potential families have all been contacted through mailing and phone calls
- Attended the Business to Business Showcase at the Alford Center for the Chamber of Commerce
- Updates to Website
- Promotion of Hop A Thon for Juvenile Diabetes and Bowl for Kids' Sake teams
- Visit of teller from Taconnet on Muffin Morning for deposits
- Items given to Retention Team for Fifth Grade Exit Interviews and possible no return family

Respectfully submitted by Mrs. Smart

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