

GRACE Board of Trustees
Tuesday, March 8, 2016
Minutes
6:30 pm - GRACE Administrative Offices

Members present: John Peterson, Marv Wall, Dan Bins, George Georgia, John Hanley, Sheila Kujava, Phil Busch, Susan Wirtala, Amy Pautzke, Mary Ann Brunette, Mary Burich, Chris Steier

Others Present: Kim Desotell, Donna Meulemans, Kay Franz SM/RES – Principal, Sharon Gast – Holy Cross Principal, James Cullen – GRACE Student Services Director, Lisa Gruber – SJB Supportive Consultant

Members not present: Lisa Jackovich, , Chuck Gustafson, Matt Bumgardner, Sue Amtmann

Opening prayer: John Peterson

A. Approval of minutes:

1. Motion made by Marv Wall to approve the February 9, 2016 Board of Trustee minutes; seconded by Mary Burich; motion carried. Motion made by John Peterson to approve the Human Resources Committee minutes; seconded by John Hanley; motion carried.

B. Open Forum: None

C. Program Evaluation (Odyssey & WCATY) Lisa Gruber

1. Created a Program evaluation template
2. See handout for summary of program template
 1. Odyssey program is available to all students, covers all grade levels for individual needs
 2. WCATY – students need to qualify based on MAP scores (grades 5 – 8), Higher achieving students are invited from supportive consultant
 3. Recommendation to continue to use both programs to continue to meet the needs of all our children
 4. The cost of the programs is a budgeted instructional item covered by GRACE, there is no cost to the parents

D. School Update: Sharon Gast - Principal HC

1. Initiatives and programs
 1. STREAM
 2. Science Curriculum Mapping
 3. Catholic Identity
 4. MAP Testing
 5. Technology growth
2. Challenges
 1. Continuing to work on building a stronger Parish/School relationship
 2. Adapting the “Discipline with Purpose” program to help with self-discipline
3. Holy Cross Recruitment initiative
 1. We continue to pursue creative recruiting opportunities

E. SM/RES Update

1. Student Services Committee – working on creating age appropriate environments for both buildings
2. Athletic Booster Club – most events were already handled together

3. School identity Committee – making a list of identities from the two schools making sure not to lose the importance of each entity
 1. New name started with 30 name suggestions, narrowed down to 3. The board will give its recommendation to Bill by the end of the week to send to the Bishop for the final decision.
 4. Administrative Services – making sure students are in the same place academically
 5. Looking at staffing, technology, and merging RES accreditation to WRISA
 6. Marketing committee – first project: Catholic Schools Week push for enrollment
 1. Joint Webpage for SM/RES Reorganization
 2. Looking to have 2 celebrations as coming together as one school
 1. New name
 2. New logo and mascot
 7. Joint SAC – came up with SAC requirement document for 2016-2017 enrollment, working on combined agreements with all funding, etc
 1. both pastors are actively involved
- F. President's Report – Kim Desotell
1. Enrollment is 87% of 3rd Friday count from this current year for 2016-2017
 2. We continue to watch enrollment for SJP II
 3. SB very successful accreditation visit
 4. SJB principal Vicki Marotz has given her resignation as of the end of this year. We will conduct a robust search and we hope to have a principal hired by May.
- G. Committee Reports
1. Human Resources Committee – Mary Burich
 1. Continuing to work through policy development
 1. FMLA policy
 2. Education and Catholic Identity – no update
 3. Finance & Facilities - Marv
 1. Very average month
 2. Most SAC's are on target with their fundraising goals
 3. Ytd ahead by \$199,000
 4. Diocese has announced that Health Ins. Plan will not be increasing any rates for this year. This allows GRACE to increase coverage by 4% for each plan.(cover 75% for single and 55% for family plan). This would take effect July 1st.
 5. Motion made by Chris Steier to raise the insurance rates to 74% for single and 55% for family; seconded by Mary Burich, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 815 pm.