

St. Gregory the Great Advisory Board Meeting
January 21, 2009

Attendance: Peter Wilson, Mark Geyman, Carmen Matz, Martin McGuan, Sherry O'Brien, Jim Augusta, Ruthie Foust

Absences: Gary Novinc

Guests: None

Call to Order: 7:03 P.M. by Mark Geyman

Opening Prayer: Mark Geyman

Meeting Minutes: Minutes from November 2008 approved

Pastor's Report: None

Principal's Report: Presented by Mr. Peter Wilson

School Report:

The school endowment recently received a few sizeable donations. The endowment is valued just under \$300K.

Tony Flowers will speak to the SAB concerning school finances in the near future.

Catholic Schools Week is just around the corner. As usual, many activities are planned for this week. CSW will mark the beginning of new marketing initiatives. Open Registration for the 2009-2010 school year begins that week.

The 2010 school year will bring one change to the preschool program. The four-year-old program will offer an option of a five-day, extended hour program. Parents may commit to this option on a month-to-month basis.

The school received new computer wiring over Christmas vacation. The PTC generously donated money for this project.

Mrs. Kim Herbert applied for a science grant to allow for distance learning opportunities.

Old Business:

Marketing:

Ruthie Foust updated the SAB on initiatives being developed to promote and market Saint Gregory the Great School. Catholic Schools Week was chosen as a logical kick-off for these initiatives. Examples of the new marketing initiatives include: a family "scavenger hunt" and tuition credit raffle, informative bulletin boards detailing school offerings, distributing new yard signs to Saint Greg's families, and mailing school information to prospective new families.

New Business:

School Safety:

Concerns have been raised about an employee of the before/after school program. Mr. Wilson stated this individual has received Virtus training and he was not aware of any improprieties. Mr. Wilson assured the SAB, "If something doesn't look right. It gets fixed." The conversation broadened to include a discussion of who is required to receive Virtus training. Marty McGuan inquired whether athletic coaches have also completed Virtus training. Mr. Wilson stated that Mrs. Wenzel is working to make sure anyone who is required to receive Virtus training completes the training.

Next Meeting: February 18, 2009

Closing Prayer: Carmen Matz

Adjournment: 7:56 P.M.