

St. Gregory the Great Advisory Board Meeting
September 17, 2008

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

Absences: None

Guests: None

Call to Order: 7:06 P.M. by Gary Novinc

Opening Prayer: Mark Geyman

Meeting Minutes: Minutes from May 2008 and August 2008 approved

Pastor's Report: None

Principal's Report: Presented by Mr. Peter Wilson

School Report:

The school received two responses to a request for help with marketing Saint Gregory the Great School. Ruthie Foust will contact those individuals to get them involved in the marketing process.

Also related to the topic of marketing, Mr. Wilson expressed a desire to erect signage, especially along Green Road, to promote the school and get the attention of passers-by. The SAB brainstormed ideas with Mr. Wilson concerning advertising the school in this way.

Spirit Weekend is set for October 3-5th. The athletic club is holding a fund-raiser on Saturday and everyone is anticipating the annual bonfire. All are encouraged to participate.

Kim Herbert is involved in the inaugural golf outing to benefit the school endowment. She is actively soliciting donations and sponsors.

The school handbook has been revised. Parents will receive them at curriculum night. The revised handbook reflects changes in the school dress code.

Mr. Wilson will meet with Kevin Doles to discuss the status of non-contributing members of the school. Mr. Doles is scheduled to brief the SAB at its October meeting concerning the state of school finances. The SAB is eager to hear his report.

Even with the drastic reduction of students taking school bus transportation to school, major problems have not materialized during the morning drop-off period. The afternoon pick-up is more crowded, however. Mr. Wilson has placed many staff members in the drop-off areas to assist with the safe and smooth flow of traffic.

Old Business:

Washington, D.C. Trip:

The 8th grade students will travel to Washington, D.C. this October. Only one bus is needed; therefore, the per pupil expense is reduced.

Grants:

The SAB is interested in helping Saint Gregory the Great School secure some educational grants. The SAB members will continue to investigate possible grant sources specific to helping the school improve its library and technology offerings.

New Business:

Student Offertory:

A parent inquired whether pre-school children can receive Sunday offertory envelopes.

Next Meeting: October 22, 2008

Closing Prayer: Marty McGuan

Adjournment: 8:26 P.M.