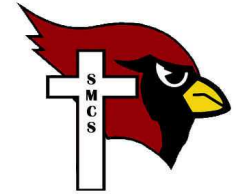


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EAC Meeting
April 12, 2010
6:00 pm

Members present were Father Tschakert, Kelly Neill, Dave Houska, Mike Wolles, Angie Brown, Craig Hansen, and Jo Lee.

Guest: Stephanie Wolles.

Father Tschakert opened the meeting in prayer.

Mr. Houska called the meeting to order and asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda.

Mr. Wolles motioned to accept agenda and Mr. Hansen seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Brown motioned to accept previous minutes and Mr. Wolles seconded. Motion carried.

Administrative Reports:

April

- 1st-5th-NO SCHOOL!
- 5th-8th-NCEA Convention in Minneapolis
- 6th-Track @ Flandreau, golf @ Garretson
- 8th-Junior high Quiz Bowl @ St. Mary
- 9th-Golf @ Freeman, Spring play @ 2pm
- 10th-Track @ Flandreau, 1st communion retreat and Spring play @ 7pm
- 11th-Spring Play at 2pm
- 13th-Track @ Chester, Golf @ Madison, Drunk Driving Simulator here
- 14th-Local Declam contest
- 15th-Kindergarten Screening, Purchase Orders Due
- 18th-1st Communion
- 19th-JH track @ Chester
- 20th-Whispering Winds Declam contest @ Pub, JH golf @ Garretson
- 21st-5th grade Quiz Bowl in Chester
- 22nd-Catholic Schools Meeting, JH Track @ Garretson
- 23rd-Dakota Step Window closes, Golf @ Garretson, JH Golf @ Chester
- 24th-PROM
- 27th-Golf @ Renner, JH Track @ Centerville
- 29th-JH/HS Concert @ 7pm, 6th grade to SF for Mass taping

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- 30th-Elementary Concert @ 7pm, Track @ OG
- Our theme for the school year is the “Corporal Works of Mercy”. For March, we focused on “Visit the Sick”. We did a Cardinal Family activity to make cards for River of Hope and Tray Favors for the homes and for the hospital. As a school, we have learned much about these works!
- Lee Palmer and JoAnn Schultz have begun using the new Writing Tool that we are a pilot site for. They LOVE it! The students have been producing great pieces of work!
- Dakota Step Testing is in full swing. We are hoping for our students to do their best work.
- Snow days will be made up after school. We have had five snow days. We will be making up four of these days. The date of graduation has not changed (May 14th), but the last day of school will now be May 18th.
- NCEA Convention will be held April 5th through the 8th. Lee Palmer, LaNessa Hof, Cami Fitzgerald, Kathy Engeman, and my self will be attending this event. Funding for the convention has come from our budget, as well as the Office of Catholic Schools and donations from the Foresters and Catholic Daughters.
- The school year is coming to a close. We are working on scheduling, class descriptions, and registrations for next year.

Mrs. Neill shared information from the NCEA convention. Mrs. Brown asked about the new writing program, and they also discussed the attendance at the spring parent meeting, as well as the great speakers that were there. Discussion ensued on the playground equipment.

Stephanie Wolles was here to discuss the grading scale. She provided a document comparing our school with other schools in the area. Mrs. Wolles is proposing to bring our percentage down to a 96% (95.5%), to level the field when it comes to certain scholarships.

Committee Reports

Marketing/Retention (Mrs. Lee): No report. Mrs. Neill asked about putting ads in the rural resident/tribune for registration. Committee approved this request.

Finance (Mr. Wolles): Carnival was very successful this year. Discussion ensued on Alumni appeal.

Policy (Mrs. Brown): Will be discussed in old business.

Planning (Mr. Houska): Centennial committee met on April 11th. Mr. Houska asked Mrs. Lee to help put a float together for Quarry Days. Initial invitations will be sent out on May 3rd.

Technology (Mr. Hansen): Mr. Hansen handed out the minutes from previous technology committee meeting. Some items discussed were: the telephone system, routers, software, speakers, ExpressionWeb, smartboards.

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Motion to accept all reports was made by Mrs. Lee and seconded by Mrs. Brown.
Motion carried.

Old business:

- A. Policy-second readings were done on class rank, inclement weather/activities schedule.

Motion to approve Inclement Weather/Activities Schedule was made by Mrs. Lee and seconded by Mr. Hansen. Motion carried.

1st reading on valedictorian/salutatorian. Policy in progress-cell phone.
Next month: 1st readings on grading scale, new Graduation Requirements;
2nd reading-valedictorian/salutatorian.

No New business

Motion to end the meeting at 8:10 pm was made by Mr. Wolles and seconded by Mr. Hansen. Motion carried.

Motion to end executive session and adjournment of meeting at 9:17 pm was made by Mr. Hansen and seconded by Mrs. Lee. Motion carried.

Next regular meeting will be May 12th 6:00 pm.

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