

St. Anne / St Charles Parish Council Meeting

June 17, 2015

Opening Prayer was given by Bob Austin

Roll Call was taken, please see attached sheet.

Commission Reports:

Religious Education this report was given by Gina Baker

Safe Environment Compliance Audits are being completed for the school and both parishes and will be sent to the AOD tomorrow.

Gina states she is in the process of packaging up unused and unneeded religion books for the school and both parishes and selling them to the book dealers.

New books will be ordered next week, with discounted shipping rates but we will not be billed until September.

The Saint Anne/ Saint Charles Vacation Bible School will be coming to the Saint Charles campus from June 22 through June 26, 9:30 am to 12 noon for students entering Kindergarten through 5th grade. Over thirty children have signed up to attend at this time. The Camp fee is \$10 per student.

I have 10 young people who have volunteered to help at VBS.

Barbara Graham will be covering Gina while she is on vacation.

School Report was given by Cathy Grinn.

The Pre School /PreK program is growing! St. Charles School is excited to announce an extended day 3 –year old program as well our current extended day 4-year old program. In addition to announcing our new extended day, we would also like to welcome Mrs. Martha Busen as our new Preschool (3 – year old program) teacher and Mrs. Abbie Masserant who will continue as our Prekindergarten (4- year old Program) teacher. Since St. Charles started the Pre-School and Pre K programs, we have continued to move forward with new activities, programs and curriculum that challenge and enrich our student’s education. We are very proud of our Pre-School and PreK programs that are fully licensed. The use of a phonics based foundation for

reading and Catholic Catechism lessons provide an excellent academic foundation and teach Catholic Identity.

With the Preschool/Pre K Program growing and our staff making career decisions that benefit our school and their personal goals, we now have an opening for a 3rd grade teacher. The position description will be posted on the AOD website as well as our school website. Anyone interested in the 3rd grade teacher position should apply to Mrs. Catherine Grinn, Principal, directly. A cover letter, resume and credentials should be included in their inquiry. All applicants must be certified and/or approved for teaching by the Department of Education for the State of Michigan. All Applicants are required to hold the appropriate endorsement for the subject(s) they are assigned to teach. All applicants are catechist must be certified by the Department of Evangelization, Catechesis, and schools. All applicants must have completed the Protecting God's Children course with certified proof.

Our school was founded on and continues to embrace a commitment to Catholic Education. I am thankful for the depth of our students. As we continue to build on the strong foundation of those that came before us, we move forward with new and returning families that share in the commitment of being active partners in the educational process.

Blessings

Mrs. Catherine Grinn, Principal

On August 24, Monday, school will start.

Father Victor Roman told the council that he would be taking a sabbatical from July 1 to October 1. He will be gone for three months. He stated that Father John will be in charge until his return. The Arch diocese will assign a priest to help cover the mass schedule.

Christian Services:

Saint Anne report was given by Carol Shaw. She stated that St Anne will be having a rummage sale in August.

Saint Charles: No report

Evangelization:

Father Victor stated that Confirmation, and First Holy Communion are over. The Arch Bishop will be here next year for Confirmation.

Finances:

Saint Anne's need a new roof which will total about \$40,000, this is not approved yet.

Father Victor stated that we are waiting for both budgets to be approved.

Approval of the Minutes: Approved with revisions.

Business: Father Victor stated that the Board of Consultants is allowing St Charles to spend some of the money to work on the school. Our original plan was to borrow \$ 400,000 and use \$200,000 from our endowment fund, but this plan was rejected and we were informed to take a \$600,000 loan and save our \$200,000 endowment fund for emergencies.

We will be reviewing the parish goals at the next meeting in August.

All current council members will be staying for the next council sessions starting in August.

Our next meeting will be at Saint Anne on August 26. Parish council meetings will be moved to the 4th Wednesday of the month so representatives from St Anne's and St Charles's Vicariate can attend the council meeting. Currently, the Vicariate and Parish Council meets on the same day.

Kathy Olson will do the opening prayer.

David Grenn mentioned that he needed volunteers for **The Big Event** at Saint Anne. This will occur on August 23, 2015. There were many suggestion made.

The meeting was closed at 8:15 pm with a prayer by Father Victor.

Next Meeting will be August 26 at Saint Anne at 6:30 pm.