

**MINUTES OF THE
ST. PATRICK EDUCATION COMMISSION MEETING
September 6, 2005**

- 1. Call to Order:** 7:05 p.m. by President Nathan McCormick

Members Present: Sean Dovovan, Jill Blattner, Dave Charron, Lou Shalda, Nathan McCormick, Julie Mooney, Kim Herrington and John Brooks

Members Absent: Mike Johnson, John Eardley, and Father Badgerow

- 2. Prayer:** John Brooks

- 3. Comments From the Floor:** None

- 4. Communications:** None

- 5. Approval of the Agenda:** Motion to approve by Dave Charron, seconded by Julie Mooney, all in favor.

- 6. Approval of the Minutes:** Motion to approve by Dave Charron, seconded by John Brooks, all in favor.

Old Business: Nathan McCormick welcomed our newest member Kim Herrington. Joe Mark was asked to fill the last vacant position; we should hear back soon.

- 9. Reports:**

A. Pastor: None

B. Principal: Mr. Donovan shared several policies and suggestions: (a) the policy concerning "The Wearing of Jewelry and Assorted Clothing Accessories" (b) a copy of "The St. Patrick School-Disciplinary Action Report" which will be used for the middle school grades (c) suggested setting up a fund for Technology (d) Mr. Donovan shared a letter he received from Mr. Joe Nawrocki concerning the need for a foreign language and also more cultural diversity instruction (e) the need for the St. Patrick webpage to be updated (The Marketing Committee will work on this concern). And (f) the Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for October 8th from 9-11:30 a.m. John Eardley and Dave Charron will be part of the core group which will work with Mr. Donovan to plan this meeting.

C. Business Manager: None

10. Committee Reports:

A. Athletic Association: Mr. Patrick Mooney will be stepping aside to let Mr. Art Wright take over as the new Athletic Director this year. On September 8, at 7 p.m. the Boosters and the Athletic Association will hold a monitory meeting for all Middle School parents who have children involved in sports. Mr. Mooney mentioned that our program is still self-funded where as many are “pay-to-play.”

The rest of the committees listed below are not reports, but reflect our discussion and our ongoing goal to redefine the committees and their function:

B. Marketing: Lou Shalda, Nathan McCormick, John Brooks and Mrs. Walsh will continue to work on Marketing Committee. A separate committee will be set-up to look into a Preschool. This committee will include Mrs. Walsh, Miss Schoenborn ?, Nathan McCormick, Lou Shalda, and Kim Herrington.

C. Executive: The Principal will deal with school matters and will ask for help when needed. At that time the Commission will advise and help the principal track the situation/problem.

D. Nominating: John Brooks and Julie Mooney will speak to Father Badgerow concerning the procedure for nominating new members.

E. Transportation: This committee shall be the principal’s domain. Motion to approve by Dave Charron, seconded by Kim Herrington, all in favor.

F. Policy: The Policy committee shall be the principal’s domain. Motion to approve by Dave Charron, seconded by Jill Blattner, all in favor.

G. Technology/Curriculum: The suggestion was made to change the new (2004) committee name of Education/Curriculum to Technology/Curriculum in order to encompass technology (computer needs but also science lab equipment) and Curriculum (e.g. Foreign Language). Kim Herrington will work with Mrs. Leeuwenberg on the Technology Committee. Julie Mooney and Jill Blattner will investigate our foreign language options.

H. Long-range Planning: After the Re-Visioning Process Meeting on October 8th, from 9-11:30 a.m. Mr. Donovan and the Commission will discuss our role and committee assignments.

I. Development: John Brooks shared that the Education Commission President is an exofficio member of the Education Endowment Fund. This committee structure and function will be discussed further.

11. Scheduling and Agenda Items:

Old Business: Re-Visioning Process Meeting (Town Hall)
Foreign Language
Committee Issues

New Business: None

12. Commission Member to Write Summary: Nathan McCormick

13. Closing Prayer: Julie Mooney

14. Meeting Adjourned: 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jill Blattner, Secretary