St. Mary's School Local Education Advisory Council Minutes for September 12, 2012

Present: Fr. Mike Campbell, Fr. Chris Foxhoven, Rita Angel, Nicole Huffman, Ken Masselli, Ben Schenkel, Ann Marie Lowers

Absent: Tom Betz, Jim Wojick, Tim Binegar, Alison Donahue

Guests: None

Principal Report – Enrollment is at 195. Six students registered but did not come, 2 students moved to Tennessee, 1 had to leave to do family finances but will return when finances allow. There are 10 students in the Montessori program as well as 17 in kindergarten. We have 2 kindergarten classes and 30 total students.

Rita hope to be sending out the parent login information for Infinite Campus in the next week or so.

The Walk-A-Thon fundraiser is Friday September 14 and Rita hopes it will raise enough to cover the balance of the lunch tables.

Visa cards have been purchased at the Mall for the Grand Central Mall Earning for Learning contest. SMS is still in need of Middle School Math teacher. Jim Hartlage is working on a per-diem basis until a replacement can be found. There is a professor at OVU that could fill the position in the second semester.

Pawnee Maintenance Inc. will provide two custodians for the school, the agreement was finalized today.

Booster Report – Basketball league started 9/15 and runs through 11/3.

Home & School Report – All Mums have been sold, cash/carry included. All of the bricks have been delivered and now we will have to look to find someone to install the bricks. Volunteer help is needed for playground, H&S is asking if MC students could volunteer to help out to get their volunteer hours in.

After School Tutoring Report – Nicole had 28 people show interest in the tutoring program. Nicole sent out emails and made phone calls trying to secure volunteers. From those phone calls, she did not receive any volunteers, although 2 from last year are returning. Nicole is going to call Kristi to look into getting a few upperclassmen to be tutors.

SCRIP Report – No Financial analysis was provided from the LEAC's August request.

Marketing Reports – The LEAC had discussions after viewing the 3 presentations. They have unanimously chosen Off/White. They gave an impressive presentation. They were very energetic and seemed passionate about working with SMS. The purpose of the campaign is to SMS identity into the community so we become an educational option to all members of the community. A letter is being sent to both parents and parishioners about the campaign. Market Match was a very close to Off/White but their travel from Dayton added to the costs.

Finance Report – Tom, not present, has all the numbers and will give a detailed analysis at the next meeting.

Old Business – The LEAC is still looking into having a parish wide fundraising calendar to try to spread out the fundraising efforts and also so that the different church organizations are not competing with each other.

New Business – Rita will look into the possibility of having a school choir that could aid/add to the church musical liturgy.

This led to discussion that the school hand bell choir could also perform at church on occasion. The integration of the school into the church liturgy was discussed as a way to bridge the gap between the school and the parish as well as a way for the school to "give back" to the parish.

Next Meeting - 10/10/12 @ 6PM, Rectory

Meeting Adjourned