

**St. Helen Catholic School Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, October 20th, 2016**

**Open Meeting: by Heather James– 8:50am – Opening Prayer Read Good Shepard followed by Hail Mary**

- 1. Attendance:** Heather James, Oscar Rivas, Dr. Phyliss Coleman, Ashae Kubicek, Marie McCorkle, Kay Ann Kernek, Father Jim. Teacher rep: Ellen Silvas. Visitor: Marcus Jones, Bernadette Gomez, Ashley Jerrell, Macie Ingram, Brie Johnigan, Carrie Schoeffler, Jennifer Sanders, Julie Martinez.
- 2. Approval of August Minutes: 1<sup>st</sup> Kay Ann Kernek 2<sup>nd</sup> Oscar Rivas – All “I”**
- 3. Reviewed Accounting Reports for September**
  - a) Format will change next meeting
  - b) No discussions.
- 4. Pastors Report – Fr. Jim**
  - a) Construction report
    - i) Scheduled to pour slab today.
    - ii) No more trenching.
    - iii) No changes or complications.
    - iv) On schedule.
  - b) Principals retreat Ft. Jim attended.
- 5. Principal’s Report**
  - a) No complaints about carline to date.
  - b) Discussed Atrium renamed from Children’s Library.
  - c) Retreat attended by Dr. Coleman yesterday.
    - i) Discussed mobile ministry/School retreats and education.
    - ii) Discussed being a community of grace.
      - (1) Membership
      - (2) Influence
      - (3) Needs met
      - (4) Connect with other families
      - (5) As Catholics look for grace – Do people see grace in you?
      - (6) Plan on meeting and discussing with faculty next week – grace related.
  - d) Kendra Scott event very successful
  - e) Parent/Teacher conferences limited to 15 min.
    - i) More parent/teacher conferences scheduled due to unrest.
    - ii) Entire diocese prayed Hail Mary at 8:30 for peace.
  - f) SHCS – financially sound even with unforeseen costs of construction.
- 6. Presidents Report**
  - a) Pray for Janet Kilroy due to surgery.
- 7. Committee updates**
  - a) Excellence
  - b) Academics

- i) Renweb conversion – Dr. Coleman trying to avoid due to large complaints.
- ii) 1<sup>st</sup> 9 weeks settled down – Gradelink problems with calendar solved.
- iii) Technology consultant still coming and on campus this week.

**c) Athletics**

- i) Golf Tourney this Friday.
- ii) Volleyball play-offs next week.
- iii) Soccer moving along.

**d) Student Life**

- i) All student activities and clubs are great.
- ii) Students visiting IWA/St. Thomas and St. Agnes/Strake Jesuit.
- iii) Boys went to Seminarian Facilities.

**e) Facilities – See Father Jim’s Report.**

**f) Evangelization**

- i) Catholic Identity
  - (1) Service projects underway and many more scheduled between now and Christmas.
  - (2) Current projects reported by Ashley Jarrell.
    - (a) Books for Louisiana
    - (b) Halloween costume collection for kids without.
    - (c) Blanket project in jeopardy due to grant cut.
- ii) Community Involvement
  - (1) Catholic Daughters looking at electing officers next meeting.
    - (a) Trying to get in with Chamber of Commerce.

**g) Enrollment/Advancement**

- i) **Marketing-**
  - (1) Made lots of contacts with the community.
    - (a) **Astros**
  - (2) Online Giving
    - (a) National Giving Day Tuesday – Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>
    - (b) Trying to do a matching program.
- ii) **Enrollment**
  - (1) 380 students – 2 moving.
- iii) **HSA – Reported by Rayanne Darensbourg and read by Heather James**
  - (1) Kendra Scott – was a success - \$1,088.40
    - (a) Host a 2<sup>nd</sup> event 4/11/2017

**8. New Business :**

- i) HSA bought the books – “One Word That Will Change Your Life” for faculty to do a small book study.
- ii) Jennifer Sanders Presented Catechesis instruction to lower school for religion call Atrium.

**Meeting Adjourned: - 10:05 am**

**2015/2016 Remaining Board Meeting Dates & Location all Rm 203(Ms. Silvas Room):**

November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016

December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (Closed Meeting)

January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017

February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017

March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017

April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017

May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – Oblate Center