

**St. Helen Catholic School Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, April 26, 2018**

**Open Meeting: by Heather James – 8:51 am**

**Opening Prayer by Heather James**

**1. Attendance:** Dr. Phyliss Coleman, Heather James, Marie McCorkle, Macie Ingram, Jennifer Spade, Ann Strouhal, Janet Kilroy, Kay Ann Kernek, Fr Jim, Seminarian Chris.  
Teacher rep: Ellen Silvas HSA President: Brie Johnigan

**2. Approval of November Minutes:** 1<sup>st</sup> Jennifer Spade, 2<sup>nd</sup> Heather James, All “I”

**3. Pastor’s report**

- a) Stressed gratitude for well wishes, cards, and donations regarding his mother’s passing.
- b) Upcoming important dates
  - i) May 21-25; Convocation of Priests (all priests from Archdiocese GH)
  - ii) May 15: Ordination of Trey Cresbos
  - iii) May 12: Ordination of Deacon Jose
  - iv) June 2: Ordination David Hust
- c) A new deacon for SHCC next year – Jesus Chavez
- d) Sem Chris leaving SHCC end of summer
- e) SHCS Active shooter training with PPD in August prior to school start, date TBD
- f) Media coverage regarding SHCS door lock system. See KHOU news story
- g) Dr Coleman office flood from rain storm over weekend. No roof issues. Improper drainage on new PreK playground caused backup. Maintenance addressing & repairing issue.
- h) ADA inspection completed 4/25. Only a few, very minor issues found & to be addressed.
- i) Gender Assignment / Reassignment issues arising.
  - i) Policies within SHCC & SHCS being addressed and may become a legal issue.
  - ii) SHCS must follow some Federal mandates due to fact that we receive some federal funding
  - iii) New verbiage being added to Handbook to confirm position. Students must refer to original birth gender in following SHCC & SHCS policies.
  - iv) Diocese of Boston taking lead (legally) on updating policies & handbooks. Most other parishes following.

**4. Principal’s Report**

- a) Few ADA inspection issues being addressed
- b) IOWA results almost in, preliminary email received
- c) Enrollment: currently 392 next year
  - i) Some decreases due to many families impacted by Harvey and individual employment issues.
  - ii) Student Fees due by May 1 will be a better indicator of confirmed enrollment for 18-19sy
- d) 18-19 School Year changes
  - i) Mr Jones & Mrs Adame will both take rolls as Asst Principal
  - ii) Mr Jones continue as Asst Principal, Athletics, Director of Student Activities & Discipline
  - iii) New Jr High Spanish teacher to relieve 4<sup>th</sup> grade Science
- e) Field trips continue next few weeks
- f) Field day next week - May 2
- g) 8<sup>th</sup> gr graduation May 18, 9 am mass
- h) Talent Show May 17

## 5. President's Report

- a) John Clark – Human Trafficking speaker scheduled May 10th
  - i) Presentation open to 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade, parents, and parishioners
  - ii) Adding a speaker for social media
  - iii) Detailed communication will go out to parents

## 6. Committee updates

- a) HSA
  - i) Braden Gala – this weekend!
    - (1) New program and expenses discussed
  - ii) Upcoming Dates
    - (1) 4/27 Mother Son kickball
    - (2) 5/9 Last HSA Meeting
    - (3) 5/11 Father Daughter Dance
    - (4) 5/25 Kendra Scott will be at Last Day of School ceremony
    - (5) 5/25 End of Year Skate Party
  - iii) HSA donating \$2000 towards student Catholic HS Scholarships
  - iv) Catholic Daughters making rosaries for graduating class
- b) Academics & Technology
  - i) Student Life
    - (1) NJHS Induction held
    - (2) John Dolan scholarship being awarded
    - (3) John Clark speaker May 10
    - (4) Service Dogs speaker – May 8<sup>th</sup>
  - ii) Athletics
    - (1) Track – Final meet on Sat 4/24
    - (2) Volleyball – starting open gym practices
- c) SWAG
  - i) Rice Bowls
  - ii) Family Life Talks for 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grades (Deana Herreth)

## 7. New Business

\*Meeting closed to public for discernment of School Board members for 18-19 School year 9:57-10:30

\*Reopen 10:30

New SB President - Janet Kilroy Voted: 1<sup>st</sup> Ann Strouhal, 2<sup>nd</sup> Macie Ingram, All "I"

New SB VP – Ashley Jarrell Voted: 1<sup>st</sup> KayAnn Kernek, 2<sup>nd</sup> Macie Ingram, All "I"

Secretary – Jennifer Spade Voted: 1<sup>st</sup> Heather James, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ann Strouhal

New SB Member - Consensus was reached for Brie Johnigan, new board member, Heather James leaving for end of term.

**Meeting Adjourned: - 10:32 am**

**2017/2018 Upcoming Board Meeting Dates & Location (Rm 107)**

May 24, 2018