

SAC MINUTES

1 – 16 – 13

Members Present

Father Ed

Mrs. Nydia Claudio

Mrs. Linda Trethewey

Jay Ryan

Kim Buxbaum

Tracy Erwin

Louise Guario

John Miracola

Virginia Murphy

Vincent Vaccarella

Members Absent

Jorge Perez

Mission Statement: *St. Bonaventure is a Christ centered community that fosters Christ's gospel message of peace, love, service to others and fellowship.*

I. Father Ed opened the meeting with a prayer.

II. Approval of last minutes.

III. New Business

- Teacher grade posting and web page posting: Due to the server going down there were some delays in the grade postings and emails. Questions that were asked were- Can there be a posting of final grades in conjunction with report cards being issued? Does the Archdioceses have a minimum of grades required per quarter? St. Bonaventure has a required number of grades. Special Areas are required 2-3 grades per quarter. The grades 3-8 are required to have 7 grades per grading period. The group discussed utilizing technology for parent communication and also, posting of grades. The school is working on having the teachers post long term assignments as well as tests on-line. The school is trying to find the best technology tool to post these on. As a

school we need to make a decision as to the best fit for St. Bonaventure. The use of Edline in the Special Areas has been very helpful.

- **School Security:** After the recent happenings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, St. Bonaventure has been discussing updating school security. The school has been using outside sources for proposals and suggestion on this topic. There are various areas of concern that need to be addressed. The “Special Needs” for the Gala has been designated for this purpose. Suggestions were made to inform parents of the Special Needs and the school plans, prior to the Gala. Some suggestions that have been made are: replacement of some doors, cameras, sirens, securing the building, and others. A timeline has been requested for security updates. Proposals for the up-date on school security will be discussed at the next meeting.
- **2013-2014 Tuition Rates:** St. Bonaventure Catholic School is in line if not lower than other Private Schools and Catholic Schools. The stewardship fee was addressed and the consensus was that it should remain as part of the school fees. An area of concern is that St. Bonaventure does not have a running record of contributing and noncontributing parents using church envelopes. A system on contributing and noncontributing parents, who support the church, may be in for the future. The Endowment Fund is for the education and foundation of the school so that it may be used to support the education process. Our goal is to build the Endowment Fund.
- **The playground:** The Elementary playground area has been resurfaced and the area looks great. The playground is now re-opened.

- JA World: An anonymous donation was made to offset the cost of the field trip to JA World/Biztown. 5th and 7th grade students will be attending JA World/ Biztown in the Spring.
- iPads: Students will be on the iPads again next year, adding another grade level.

Next meeting Feb. 20, 2013