

# SAC Minutes

## May 20, 2015

### Members Present:

Father Ed

Nydia Claudio

Jay Bernardo

Tracy Vaccarella

Amy Gutierrez

Li Lopez

Meredith O'Keefe

Monica Navarro

Joy Mendrano

Lisa Kempinski

John Mejias

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

- I. Father Ed opened the meeting with a prayer
- II. Approval of previous meeting's minutes
- III. PRO President Tracy Vaccarella highlighted a few of the activities the PRO has planned for 2015-2016 school year. The goal of these events will be re-enforcing the St. Bonaventure family atmosphere. There will be a barb-a-que the evening of the Teacher meet and greet. There will also be a Boo- Hoo breakfast the second day of school immediately following drop off.
- IV. Mrs. Claudio and Mrs. Kempinski announced new events for the upcoming school year. The Open House will remain on one night however, the schedule will be staggered in order to allow parents with multiple children to meet with all the appropriate teachers. There is also a "Night of the Arts" scheduled which will include displays/performances of bands, art and talent. St. Bonaventure School will also be performing a Christmas show in 2015.
- V. School administration will confer with the archdiocese regarding increasing the term of the SAC members to three from two years. This

will provide for more continuity amongst the council and increase effectiveness in the creation and implementation of new ideas.

- VI. A question was raised regarding ITBS scoring. The archdiocese will not allow the release of comparisons between its schools. Both Mrs. Claudio and Mrs. Kempinski were VERY pleased with the scores for all grades within St. Bonaventure. It is best for parents to keep children's ITBS scores from year to year for comparative purposes. It is too difficult for the administration to track individual scores.

At next year's Town Hall Meeting, there will be a presentation on how to interpret the ITBS test scores in order to educate parents and eliminate the confusion as to what each score represents.

- VII. With the proliferation of cell phones, social media has become a part of everyday life. With the number of cell phones on campus and the issuance of ipads, training for both students and parents on the dangers of social media and the Internet is a prudent step for everyone's safety. There was discussion as to what age any training should be offered. It is likely that next fall, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents will be given a presentation on Internet safety. The issue can be re-visited for younger age groups after evaluating the fall meeting.