

SAC Minutes

April 20, 2016

Members Present:

Father Ed

Nydia Claudio

Jay Bernardo

Lisa Kempinski

Joy Medrano

Esteban Nunez

Amy Gutierrez

Monica Navarro

Paul Herfurth

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

- I. The meeting was opened with a prayer.
- II. Approval of previous meeting's minutes.
- III. A. Teacher Conferences: For the 2016-2017 school year, electronic sign-up sheets will be implemented on the school website. Further details are to follow. As a reminder, issues students may be having can be addressed with their teachers at any time and there is no requirement to wait until set conference dates.

B. ITBS Testing. The school's performance as a whole was outstanding. St. Bonaventure scores exceeded state standards in every topic and at every grade level. Faculty uses the results of these tests to focus on any area where they believe there is room for improvement. Due to the prior year's success in stressing vocabulary in the middle school, that focus will be implemented in 4th and 5th grades next school year.

C. New Items for 2016-2017 School Year:
MIDDLE SCHOOL:
 - Year-long electives will meet twice a week.
 - The rotating electives

(art, music, library and computers) will each last one quarter of the school year.

- The robotics elective has been a tremendous success and will be expanded next year.
- Choral as an elective will be continued as well.
- Spanish classes will meet three times a week.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

- After school programs will be expanded. Sports clinics will be offered throughout the year.
- Robotics and Lego clubs will continue next year.
- "Odyssey of the Mind", a comprehensive group problem solving program will be initiated for 2016-2017. (Also after school)
- Craft and cooking clubs will also be launched next year.

D. Three faculty members will be leaving St. Bonaventure next year. Mrs. Blanco and Mrs. Gillett will be retiring. Mr. Martinez will be moving on to pursue a career in the administrative side of education. We thank them for their service and wish them all well on their future endeavors.

E. Recommendations for being solicited for next year's SAC committee.

IV. Next SAC Meeting scheduled for May 18th, 2016 at 7:00 pm.