

School Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
May 13, 2009
6:30pm

In attendance: Lauren Beckmann, Fr. Dennis, Clark Gridley, Laura Maly, Matt Hietpas, Lisa Lesjak, Jennifer Luna, Jane Boland, Michael DeMichele, Jane Connell, Joe O'Neill, Tom Zale, Bill Schlise.

1. Call to Order & Prayer
2. Pastor's Report (Fr. Dennis)

Dan Hull will be leaving to take a new position in the Archdiocese, and Matt Zembrowski (works at Holy Family) is moving on to Cardinal Stritch.

The goal is to provide quality ministry responsive to Parish needs. We need to preserve parish identity, but we need shared ministry between St. Robert & Holy Family. There will be an increased reliance on lay ministry which will free priests to focus on administering sacraments.

Fr. Dennis delivered "The Plan," which is his vision for managing two parishes. Within The Plan, there will be cross-over with the Business Manager (Elizabeth Cleveland), Fr. Robert, and Deacon Carmelo. Other shared resources were described. The Plan saves \$80,000 between two parishes. Roll out is scheduled to begin July 1st.

3. Principal's Report (Lauren)

Kindergarten screening is set to begin this Friday. The Kindergarten staffing plan is as follows:

Julie Berg – 15 all day K5 5 half day K-5 (20am/15pm)

Sarah Liebenthal – {10 all day K5}, 9 half day K5 (19am)

Maria Anna Gonzales– 6 all day K4, 8 half day K4, {10 all day K5} (14am/16pm)

An aide, who is also a certified kindergarten teacher, will be available to assist all day. There was significant discussion over the afternoon split K4/K5 class. We expect this situation will be perceived to be less than ideal. Lauren assures us that she and the teachers have a plan for the use of flexible groupings.

Lauren discussed addressing a large number of high ability students in 3rd grade. Three teachers; 1 FT, 2 HT. Allows for all three teachers to concentrate preparation on a subset of classes. The plan was well-received by the Board.

Access to federal funding meeting occurred with Dean Schultz. Went well. Lauren made known our areas of instructional needs, strategic initiatives, and received agreement with how funds will be allocated. Title 2a is managed by Dean Schultz.

Good candidates for middle school science teacher.

School day schedule & length of school day. Police department won't restrict our hours. They recommend we coordinate with Atwater. Teachers expressed concerns, however, that the footprint of their contract hours will creep out. 7:45 to 3:30 is the minimum. Needs some more work.

Teachers proposed change to parent preview night. Minimize the presentation, and open it up to Q&A. Parents want time to ask all of their questions. Send home printed info ahead of time. Have an open house format w/o children.

4. Stakeholder's Meeting – 30 minutes

Hospitality: Clark & Tom will provide beverages.

Clark – Salty

Matt – Sweet

Lisa – Paper products

Jane B – Sweet & salty

Jane C – Sweet

Michael – Fruit

Tom – Sweet

Bill – Chips & salsa

Lauren – Cheese

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Dan - ??????

Matt Hietpas – Technology Demonstration

Goals

Our Primary goal is to educate the parents of St. Robert children to the evolving curriculum strategy focusing on the 21st Century Learner

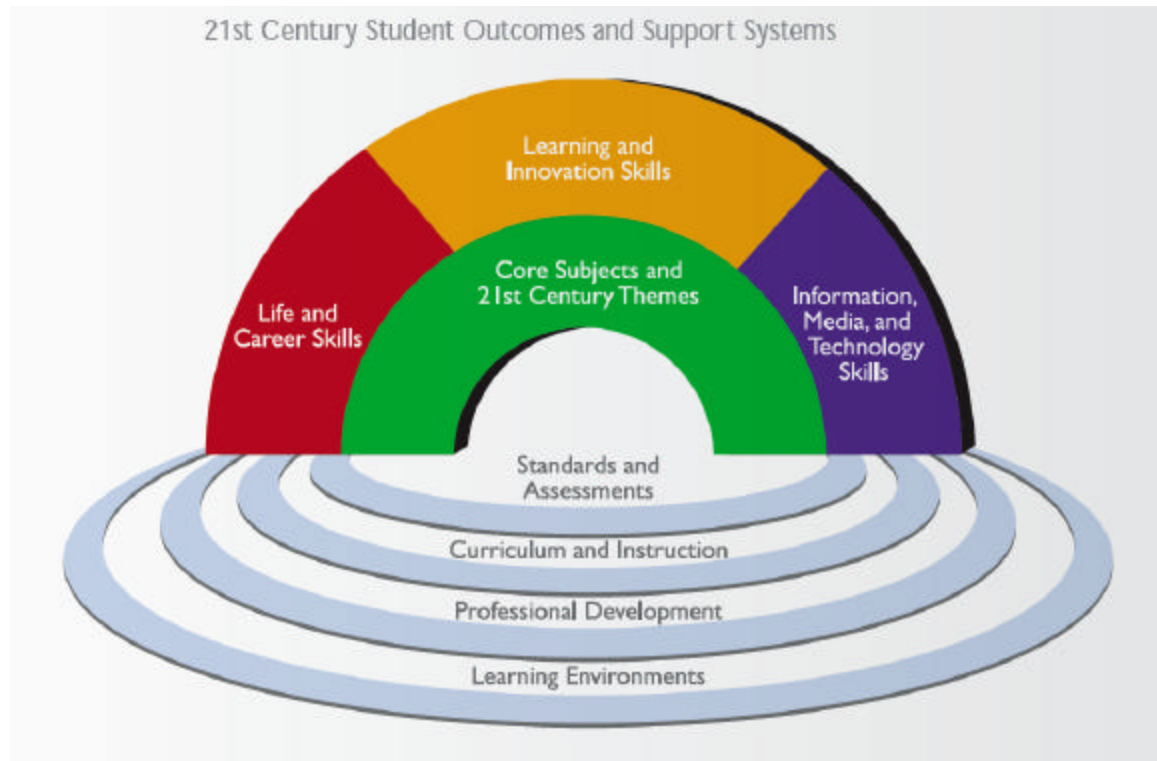
Objectives

- Present some thought provoking information to illustrate the new world environment that we want our children properly prepared for.
- Illustrate the framework for 21st Century Learning and provide an overview of the plan to integrate this framework into the SRS curriculum.
- Show some examples from within our school of this shift in focus from the traditional teaching environment and explain the educational benefit to our children.

Presentation Details

The Blink committee is organizing this presentation to provide for a well-organized and concise presentation. Our goal is to show the audio and video portions of the presentation on a Smart Board, which will be provided to us by the company. We may also demonstrate some new feedback devices that are available depending on availability. The chairman of the SRS Technology committee, Matt Hietpas, will be leading this presentation. The thought behind this is that I (along with Peter Christenson – another parent committee member) have analyzed this situation through a parent's eyes, and we have asked the tough questions to determine the validity of this effort. With that background, hopefully I can present the information to other

parents in plain language with the goal of answering some apparent questions. Lauren and some of the teachers will play key roles in this presentation as well.



5. Discussion: New board member nominations.
6. Committee Reports
 - Policy (Jane Boland)
 - Education & Formation (Bill Schlise/Laura Maly)
 - Development (Lisa Lesjak/Michael DeMichele)
 - Marketing (Clark Gridley)

Doorknob campaign and sign campaign will occur this summer. Movie night will take place this summer. Creativity & cocktails event coming up in two weeks to increase membership of the marketing committee/platform. May 28th from 7-9pm.
 - Technology (Matt Hietpas)
 - Environment (Dan Davis)

Projects going to bid on Monday. Five bids from medium sized local companies. “Go” decision to be made in last week in May.
 - Budget & Finance (Tom Zale)
 - Secretary (Jane Connell)
7. Home & School (Joe O’Neill)
8. Parish Council (Michelle Frazier) – Absent
9. New Business
10. Closing Comments

Adjourned at 9:20pm.