

St. Malachy School Commission  
September 6, 2011  
St. Malachy School Conference Room

The following were in attendance: Angela Bostrom, Principal, Matt Goddard, Assistant Principal, Ruth Rodgers, Chairperson, Mary Arnould, Amy Marcou, Darin Odier, Pam Staysniak, and Mary Arnould

Call to Order:

The meeting was begun with prayer.

I. Topics for Discussion:

1. Vouchers-The Indiana State Voucher and SGO Scholarship programs were discussed in detail. The SGO Scholarship is for new students and kindergarteners. If a student qualifies for an SGO Scholarship, he or she will most likely qualify for a voucher the next year. Donors will be sought to help contribute to the scholarship program. The donors will receive 50% of their donation back as a tax credit. Currently SMS has 17 kindergarteners qualified for SGO Scholarships and 3 students receiving vouchers. For any questions, please contact Mrs. Bostrom or Mr. Goddard.
2. Harvest Gathering-The annual Family Harvest Gathering will be held Friday, October 7. Amy Marcou is chairing this event. Donations for raffle prizes are being solicited.

II. Reports:

- a. Chairperson's Report-No Report
- b. Administrator's Report-Brownsburg School Corporation is proposing a "balanced schedule" for the 2012-2013 school year. It has not been finalized as of this date. St. Malachy will follow whatever schedule Brownsburg adopts. The Valuing Catholic Schools dinner will be held 10/26. Any School Commission members interested in attending should contact Mrs. Bostrom.
- c. Finance/Budget-The Parish underwent an audit last year. The recommendation was that the school have a tuition collection policy in place. A policy is currently being developed.

- a. SCRIP- No Report

- d. Public Relations/Marketing
  - a. *Green and White Gala*-The commission is re-evaluating the event and financial support. We are looking into cost-saving measures. No changes have been made to the event at this time.
- e. PTO-A School Commission member will present the role of the School Commission at an upcoming PTO meeting.
- f. Athletic Committee-Darin Odier is the School Commission representative to the Athletic Committee. The Athletic Committee website is currently being revised to include registration, team schedules, and practice schedules. A new St. Malachy Athletics Facebook page has also been created.
- g. Monitoring/School Improvement-Accreditation is scheduled for February, 2012.

The meeting was closed at 8:24 am. The next meeting date is October 5, 2011 at 7:00 am.