

Joint School Committees

St Paul/St. Bruno @ St. Bruno

September 13, 2016

Present: Fr. Chuck, Ben Holzem, Ally Blonien, Jeff Bajczyk, Paul Graff, Cindy Robinson, Cindy Gaudion, Joe Siekierski, Mary Taggett (St. Bruno Chairperson) plus 3 additional St Bruno members

Absent: Barb Romanello, Pat Donahue, Matt DeMarais, Ed Brady

To assist Fr. Chuck and Mr. Holzem with their schedules, the format of the meeting was for the St. Bruno School Committee to have their School Committee meeting at 6:30, the St. Paul School Committee joined the meeting at 7PM. St. Paul School Committee met at the conclusion of the joint meeting.

Mr. Holzem started the joint meeting by providing an update of the past week:

- He provided a copy of his schedule for the week to show how time was split between the two schools. He added that a schedule will be completed each week and it will be available in the school offices.
- A parent meeting was conducted at each school since the School Committees met on September 6. Mr. Holzem indicated the meetings were well attended and positive. Expansion of the Spanish program at St. Paul was very well received.
- He indicated there is a strong teacher leader in each school – Ally Blonien at St. Paul and Juanita Gutbrod at St. Bruno. These are the “in charge” teacher when Mr. Holzem is not at the school.
- He provided an update on the State’s School Choice Program at each school. St. Bruno has nine Choice students and St. Paul has one. This program is expected to attract more students in future years. Mr. Holzem discussed various plans he has to promote the schools to gain more Choice students. The cost of the annual audit (estimated at \$14,000) related to the Choice program was discussed.

At this point, we transitioned to the St. Paul only School Committee Meeting.

Since we met on September 6th, Mr. Holzem only had one update. He announced the addition of two new School Committee members –Rick Drolet and Erin Heaton. These two members will be joining the meetings in the near future.

Cindy Gaudion provided an update on the Golf Outing. The net profit from the outing was approximately \$42,000. This is down from past years, but still a very successful event.

Fr. Chuck concluded the meeting with a prayer.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Siekierski