

Bethel Lutheran School Board Meeting
Monday, February 16, 2009
Executive Session following meeting (or whenever needed)

Guest: Jason Marks

**Board Members: Steve Collins, Pam Lichtenstein, Virgil Hairgrove,
John Jacob, Brett Day, Dave Cook, Jim Gibson, Frank Krebs**

- I. 7:00 pm - Opening Prayer and Welcome
- II. 7:05 pm - Approval of Previous Minutes
- III. 7:10 pm - Standing Reports
 - A. Business Administrator – No Report
 - B. Athletic Director Reports – Marks
 - a. Key Report Point
 - IV. Strong numbers in winter sports, 50 students and 16 parents coaching
 - V. Admission/concessions work schedule has been a challenge with parents not finding a replacement to work their assigned session.
 - VI. Scheduling for 09-10 schools year has begun
 - b. Policy considers for review later
 - IV. 4th Graders on teams
 - V. Playing on other teams not in the Bethel program
 - C. Booster Club report – Rapp – No Report
 - D. PTL Report - No Report
 - E. Principal's Report – Jacob (Including Pre-School)
 - a. Pancake and Sausage Breakfast had record attendance. Smartboard sessions were highly attended. We current have enough money pledged to acquire a board for all but one classroom.
 - b. Lutheran School's week in final planning stages
 - c. John has been asked and accepted a request to serve as a captain of an accreditation team in the future.
 - F. Budget Report – Gibson
 - a. No new information.
 - G. Foundation Report – Collins – No report
 - H. Suggestion Box – Day – Nothing to report
 - I. Auxiliary – Hairgrove – Nothing to report
- IV. 7:40 Action and Discussion Items
 - A. **7:40 – 2009 – 2010 School Calendar** – Action Item/Jacob– Approve School Calendar for 2009 – 2010 School Year
 - a. Approval by 7-0 to vote to accept the school calendar as presented by John
 - B. **7:50 – Parental Feedback** – Discussion Item/Krebs – Review Items from parent classroom sessions

- a. Positive feedback from information captured and no significant action items for the board to address.
 - b. **Action Item:** John will provide parent feedback on potential tutoring opportunities.
 - c. Board approved discontinuing the board meeting with the parents and we will leverage other channels to gather feedback from parents.
Additionally, we need to determine how we let people know who are the school board members
 - C. **8:10 – School Board Objectives** – Discussion Item/Krebs – Review Status of School Board Objectives
 - a. Separate document.
 - D. **8:25 – Enrollment Update** – Discussion Item/Jacob – Review enrollment status and begin preliminary discussion on class structures
 - a. Current enrollment is strong with 193 enrolled, 11 on waiting list and 19 probables
 - E. **8:40 - Making a Difference Policy** – Discussion Item/Jacob – Review policy wording to discuss with parents
 - a. Board OK with policy draft for making a graduation requirement
 - b. Will require voters meeting approval in the summer
 - c. Will pursue an advisory board made up of church members.
 - F. **8:50 – Student Discount Policy** – Discussion Item/Jacob – Clarification on multiple child discounts
 - a. Reviewed current discount structure with kids in pre-school and the school. Discount structures are unique and separate for the elementary and pre-schools.
 - G. **9:00 – Intent to Return Forms** – Information Item/Jacob – Review Teachers’ Intent to Return Forms
 - a. Good news...we will have one opening based on the feedback we have gotten and will begin working on filling that shortly.
 - H. **9:10 – Math Program Update** – Information Item/Jacob – Information on status and new developments in updating our Math program
 - a. Met with High School on Math direction
 - b. Overall Bethel Students do very well as honors high school math students. The high school is very comfortable with the students we are passing on to them.
 - c. In partnership with the high school, we will go to same curriculum as the high school. In the next year we will work with the high school in picking out their new curriculum in the next couple of years.
- V. 9:25 - Adjournment
- A. Church Council – March 2 @ 7:00 pm @ Bethel Lutheran Church
 - B. Date/Location for next meeting – March 16 – 7-9 pm at School
 - C. Closing Prayer