

**William V. Fisher Catholic High School
School Board Minutes
September 7, 2011**

Members Present: Cathy DeGenova, Michelle Maskulinski, Sean Kenney, Tiffany Wade, Mitzi Neighbor, Rachel Jones, Julie Kilbarger and Fr. Gideon.

Prayer: Fr. Gideon

Approval of August Minutes: Rachel Jones & Cathy DeGenova

Approval of September Agenda: Agenda revisions made and approved by Cathy DeGenova and Julie Kilbarger

REPORTS:

President:

*Catholic Schools Rally was a tremendous success! Good feedback was received on behalf of Bishop Campbell, Faculty/Staff, students and parents. Discussion will take place in the future regarding future years' events. Thank you Fr. Reade, Kristin Gentile and Kellie Boyden for all your dedication to this event.

*The Media Center (formerly the Library) is in the process of being cleared and transformed into a gathering center for the students. Furniture is on order. Class pictures and a painting of the statue in from St. Mary Church will be added to the walls.

*The back wall of the school will undergo a year long 'testing' process to correct the sealing problem. It is not a brick and mortar problem. If this corrects the problem, the remaining walls of the school will be treated.

*The FC Website is in the process of being redesigned. Any information one desires to be added to the 'calendar' on the website should be sent to Kellie Shonk.

*Sean Kenney stressed the importance of everyone associated with Fisher Catholic who wants to support our school and continually improve our school to become involved. "Together we achieve more." This is *our* school.

Principal:

*It has been a wonderful start to the school year! Students are getting settled into the new routines.

*The Canteen, run by Student Council, is open and has been a great success!

*Enrollment is 234 students this year (least year 242).

*Jen Spiegel backed out as Intervention Specialist. Cindy Hayman has been hired. She will be at the school from 1pm-3pm to develop Individual Service Plans for the students and to assist students in their coursework.

*Service Hours will begin next week.

*Community Care Day (organized by United Way) will be on September 20, 2011. The Juniors and Seniors will be participating by assisting at the Food Panty and Group Homes.

*Fisher Fall Festival was a great success for the first year back! We have purchase fryers from Traders restaurant with the financial assistance of the Knights of Columbus. Thank you to Cort

Smelzer for all the electrical work to support the Festival, as well as for additional assistance with lighting at the back of the school. Discussion will be made at a later time to discuss moving the Festival to opening Football Weekend.

Teachers: The teachers are learning the new Progress Book program that is used to record grades and enable parents and students to view up-to-date grades from home. Parents have been very patient with the teachers and seem to very pleased with the accessibility this system provides parents to view their child's grades. Teresa Jenkins will be giving Religion training to the teachers. September 29th will be Meet the Teacher Night.

Chaplain: All School Masses and all Sports Masses will be posted on the School Calendar on the FC website. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend. The All-School Mass on September 14, 2011 will be the first Mass in which the new Mobile Sanctuary (auctioned at last year's Bid O'Luck) will be used.

Pastors: Father Gideon gave gratitude and praise to Father Reade for the tremendous work he has done in coordinating the priest of the Deanery with school activities, creating unity within the Deanery. The Deanery Calendar is enabling the priests to become more involved in the School's activities. Thus far, only St. Bernadette has posted their events. Father Gideon urges all schools and parishes to post their events. Contact Brian McCauley to post to the calendar. Father Gideon also wanted to invite all in our community to attend St. Mark's Parish's Italian Dinner on October 1, 2011 and the Christmas Cantata on December 11, 2011. Finally, he urges us to "proclaim the Good News to the end of the earth", not to allow finances to drive us in our decisions.

Fairfield-Hocking County Catholic Schools Executive Committee: As the Committee continues to meet in pursuit of a proposal to provide to Bishop Campbell, the Committee which began with nine scenarios, has decreased it to seven or eight scenarios. Janette Campbell and Sean Kenney recent toured and interviewed all four schools to assess resources and needs. A final recommendation will be provided to Bishop Campbell by December 31, 2011.

Alumni Plan: The database is increasing in size. Alumni can register via the FC website.

Finance Committee: A new "Maintenance" sub-committee is being formed to address maintenance issues around the school and school grounds. Any interested individuals with knowledge and expertise in this area are asked to contact the school. These volunteers will not be asked to *do* the repairs, simply to assess our needs.

The Budget will be presented to the Diocese next week.

Marketing & Development: A radio commercial has been developed. It addresses our Open House on November 6, 2011. The Annual Appeal will be starting soon and the Quarterly Newsletter will be mailed soon.

Athletic Association:

Performing Arts: Hannah Jones represented Fisher at the Sweet Corn Festival and was crowned Runner-Up! Congratulations to Hannah! This is a great honor and she is an excellent representative for FC! November 4, 2011 is the School Play.

Student Council: Planned by Student Council, the first day of school was a success. The Council put a lot of time into planning the events for the day. The Council is currently planning the Homecoming Dance on October 2, 2011.

Wellness Committee: The Wellness Committee will meet in the Spring to review the current policy. The current policy is working well. A discussion was made to bring in Motivational Speakers throughout the school year.

Old Business:

New Business:

Closing Motion: Cathy DeGenova and Julie Kilbarger