

**St. Paul
Parish Council Meeting
School Report
October 26, 2005**

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Special Note: The School Board meets on November 2, 2005 at 7:00 PM. Prior to this meeting, at 6:30 PM. the school board and finance committee will meet with a representative from FACTS.

Catholic Identity-Leanna Gant/Tricia Knott

GOAL 1: St. Paul School will provide an atmosphere, curriculum and support system, which impart gospel values that personally enrich students in their faith development.

- Theme for the year is "Life is Christ". Each class has submitted ideas that are being implemented.
- Liturgy Planning and mass seating arrangements were redesigned.
- Confirmation enrollment was completed for 8th grade students and Religious Ed.
- First Reconciliation meeting with parents of second grade and Religious Ed was completed 10/24/05.
- Emphasizing the importance of family participation at Sunday liturgy through the school bulletin.
- Inviting parents to attend school masses through school bulletin
- Service projects currently planned:
 - Red Cross-all school Ms. Graf
 - Franciscan Shelter House-Christmas-all school Ms. Davenport
 - Dare to Care-all school (Nov.7-18) Ms. Krider
 - St. Vincent DePaul Christmas Campaign-all school

Finance Governance-David Bishoff

GOAL 2: St. Paul School will operate on a sound financial basis, emphasizing Parish commitment, parental support and broad base of financial support

GOAL 6: St. Paul School will continue to encourage effective working relationships between Pastor, Principal, School Board and Parents in order to position the school as a teaching ministry

- School Board and Finance Committee will meet to discuss FACTS as a future tuition collection agency.

Curriculum-Peggy Gray

GOAL 3: St. Paul School will establish a curriculum designed to make learning a priority, recognizing the unique talents of individual students resulting in the development of successful, self-confident Christian decision-makers, always valuing learning lifelong.

- Identified special needs students in grades K-8 and have been meeting with parents to establish plans. New Curriculum Consultant position will coordinate with teachers, parents and students.
- Implemented Reading First in our K-3 curriculum. Teachers in grades 4-5 have been trained. This program is designed to provide high quality reading instruction that is grounded in scientifically based reading research.
- Implemented Unitedstreaming and Whatsthehomework in technology for teachers.
- Implementing LoTi. Mr. Brevier has been trained. This program is designed to improve instructional practices. A special faculty in-service was held October 6th to detail plans.
- Terra Nova scores showed improvement in some areas identified in the School Improvement Plan. Teachers are meeting within levels to identify future needs and develop plans. Results will be shared with the school board and parents.

School Climate/Community-Amy Walsh

GOAL 5: St. Paul School will design and implement a comprehensive public relations program to market the distinct advantages of the school to the community at large.

- WRBK was here and taped several segments of the school that will be aired on the station between now and the end of the year.
- Currently there are ads on TV highlighting Catholic Education. This program is designed not only for the Catholic High Schools but elementary as well.
- Website continues to be updated and used as a major source of communication.
- Mrs. Pearce celebrated her 45 year of teaching. She was recognized at a luncheon and a article will appear in this edition of the Record.

Co-Curricular Programs/Student Services/Special Programs-Jim Roush

- Srips program continues to serve the school and parents well. Full report will be provided at the November 2nd School Board Meeting
- School Mall was initiated by the PTA and will serve as an additional source of income for them.
- Skating Party was held October 23rd and was big success.
- See list of activities planned under Catholic Identity.
- Book Fair October 31-November 5

Enrollment-Ronda Warner

GOAL 4: St. Paul School will recruit and retain students to maintain optimal enrollment in Grades K – 8 for families who desire exemplary Catholic education.

Grade	Pre-K	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Girls	10	16	10	11	13	10	14	13	14	14	125
Boys	10	14	12	11	15	13	14	15	17	17	138
Totals	20	30	22	22	28	23	28	28	31	31	263

- Total school enrollment 263.
- Currently working on a 5 year projection.

Plant/Facilities-Chris Head

- Currently completing the placement of a playground for Pre-K that will meet state regulations.
- Chris is currently a member of the Maintenance Committee (Men's Club) and stays up-to-date with information and projects being conducted parish wide.
- Special thanks to the men who painted many outside items on the church, community building, rectory and school.

Administration & Staffing/Instructional Improvement-Kevin Brever

- Professional Development Day was completed for faculty on October 6th.
- Technology Committee met October 25th. Report will be submitted at School Board meeting.

Important School Calendar Dates

October 31	Halloween Parties
November 18	End of First Trimester
November 22	Report Cards Distributed
November 23-25	Thanksgiving Holidays (1PD-2NP)
December 5	PTA Meeting/Play
December 10	High School Placement Exam
December 16	Christmas Break (Dismissal 11:30)
December 19-January 2	Christmas Vacation (1PD-10.5NP)