

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School

Consultative School Board

May 14, 2019

Meeting Minutes

Ex-officio members: Deborah Farrington, Ed.D., Fr. Ulysses D'Aquila

School Board members: Adam Plumpton, Christina Gann Munguia, Joe Rakow, Ph.D., Erin Kimura-Walsh

Public guests: None

Minutes: Erin Kimura-Walsh

Notes started at 6:15

ADMISSIONS

Outreaching to a range of school

Law requires that private schools cannot take students under 4 yr, 9 m

We are the only school that has a preschool and a TK which has created some issues.

- Pre-K is only serving a very narrow group of children
- With preschool we have inspectors that can come unscheduled that may encounter a pre-K child under 4 yr, 9 m and this may endanger preschool

The plan would be to use Amanda and Gina has co-teacher for language arts

PERSONNEL

- Shauna Hussey is leaving the school will not move up to 3rd grade
- Have two incoming teachers: Maria in 6th grade, Kimberly 1st or 3rd.
- Has some prospects for the remaining grade and has
- New 7th grade teacher has accepted
- Science teacher--Middle school science teacher--offer
- Total of 5 new teachers: 1st, 3rd, 6th, 7th, sciences

FACTS

Some of the staff has been watching webinars, exploring it.

Teachers will participate in training at the start of summer

CALENDAR

- Calendar for school year is approved and will be sent out soon
- Will move to trimesters next year
- 4 day Labor Day holiday--the second day will be a retreat day. All of the faculty and staff will come together.

STEM

- Joe Rakow is looking at STEM options
- In conversation with MVCode. They still have yet to give him pricing

- Also looking at other options
- Robotics/Lego team program. Create teams, skills development, then competition season in which children build and compete. Would need to identify coaches.

Enrichment Pods

- For 6, 7, 8 graders
- Offered Wednesday/Friday
- 3 enrichment pods: mixed 6, 7, 8th graders
- Teacher would teach enrichment pods
- Kids would rotate each trimester
- Group 1, 2, 3 each stay together
- Topic ideas: Model UN, Coding, Decathlon, Speech/Debate, Study Skills, Cooking to donate, Drama
- Teachers can identify what they love and teach it.
- Offering these kids of enrichments will also draw prospective family interest
- For younger kids: the science teacher would also enrich the 1-5 graders

Financial Aid

The school does not have a way to assess need for financial aid.

TADS was able to provide the data needed to assess unmet need

Various models of how to distribute aid that reflect values