

Our Lady of the Lakes  
School Advisory Board  
Meeting Minutes  
November 19, 2008

**MEETING ATTENDEES:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Dan Flesher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Karen Saxton	<input type="checkbox"/> Kathy Lewis
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barb Hankey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Romkema	<input type="checkbox"/> Julie Sartori
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Page	<input type="checkbox"/> Angela Tomczyk	Members of the
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Monarch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carl Uberti	Public: Lynette Bennett

**CALL TO ORDER :** The meeting was called to order by Vice President Paul Monarch at 7:10pm.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Lynette Bennett is a parent who also operates a business called Schollegiate Edge which among other things, assists parents in finding funding opportunities for children to attend college. She was asked by Barb Hankey to attend the meeting and give a brief presentation of what she might offer the parents and students of Lakes. Ms Bennett indicated she could provide a workshop to parents about financial aid and things to consider for college. Ms. Bennett indicated she would distribute information to the board that would be included in the presentation. After some discussion it was decided that a presentation during the first half of January 2009 would be supported.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes from the October 22, 2008 meeting were presented; a motion to approve the minutes was made by M. Romkema and seconded by J. Page. Motion unanimously approved by voice vote.

**PRESIDENTS REPORT: CARL UBERTI**

**SCHOOL BUSINESS:**

The re-accreditation process by Michigan Association of Non-Public schools (MANS) is coming due next Fall. The process covers several areas: curriculum, facilities, etc. Although it is an arduous task it is overall a good thing for the school. The prep time is about 6 months prior to the site visit, so teachers and administrators will be in meetings surrounding that shortly.

The Open House went as well as could be expected. There were 4-5 prospective 9<sup>th</sup> graders and some 7<sup>th</sup> graders as well.

The security system is just about done being installed. There will be meetings regarding who will get access to what in the near future.

Roof repairs have been underway for the last couple of weeks. The tar smell was fairly strong and the option of moving classes to St. Joseph's Hall has been considered. However they are almost complete so hopefully that won't be necessary.

The library did receive 7 new monitors to replace the ones that had been stolen, this cost will be covered by the insurance company.

As of today the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade overnight trips are back on the calendar. There will be a mandatory parent regarding these events within the next month.

**FUNDRAISING:** The final numbers on the Oktoberfest were not as good as we had hoped. The final number is coming in at about \$17,000. The biggest difference from last year was in the amount of raffle tickets sold. There was almost 1,000 more sold last year. All the money raised from the Oktoberfest is going to help pay for the security system.

**REPORTS:**

**PARISH COUNCIL:** No report.

**BOOSTERS:** M. Romkema reported that several CYO parents have been contacted to encourage more attendance at the Booster meetings. Having more folks attend the meetings will increase the communication and participation in fundraising efforts. The 2 weekends that Boosters hosted the Texas Hold'Em tournament at Card Sharks went very well and they are looking to incorporate this as a regular fundraiser effort.

**PTG:** PTG also hosted a Texas Hold'em weekend and still has one more 11-23/24 & 23 we are hoping to make at least \$2,000. The PTG is also hosting an Evening with Santa on 12-6.

**MARKETING:** No report

**INFORMATION/COMMUNICATION:** No report

**COMMITTEES:**

**BUDGET COMMITTEE:** No activity at this time

**ELECTION COMMITTEE:** There was a motion by M. Romkema to put out a search for parties interested in joining the School Board as there are currently 2 -1 year term vacancies which were caused through premature resignations. The motion was seconded by J. Page and unanimously approved by voice vote.

**OLD BUSINESS:** The discussion of By-Laws Articles IX – XII was tabled until the next meeting so that the President Flesher could participate in those discussions.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** There was a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 which was seconded by K. Saxton. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Next meeting December 17, 2008.