

# Newman Catholic Schools Tuesday, May 30, 2023; 6:00pm Education Commission Meeting Minutes NCES: St. Anne

# "Fostering disciples of Christ through Catholic faith, service and academics"

Attendance:

X = present: = Duplicate

Parishes	Pastor		Parish Rep	
Holy Name	Fr. Sam Martin	Х	Mike Murphy	Х
Resurrection			Laura Reamer	Х
St. Michael			Cathy Hackel	Х
St. Anne	Fr. Tom Lindner	Х	John Knoll	Х
St. Mark	Fr. Al Slowiak	Х	Rick Svennes	
St. Matthew	Fr. Sebastian Kolodziejczyk		Jack Reeves	
St. Mary	Msgr. Joseph Diermeier		Claire Meney	
St. Paul				
St. Therese	Fr. Albert Saleth		Marcy Stenstrom	Х
NCMS/HS Chaplain, Associate Pastor	Fr. Erik Mashak			
Mary Mother of Good Help	Fr. Al Burkhardt			
Committees			Ex-Officio	
Commission Chair	Rick Svennes		Jeff Gulan, President	Х
Finance Chair	Chris Pfender		Sarah Keene, Director of Adv.	
Athletics Chair	Ross Bodenheimer		Tom Reichenbacher, Diocese	
Guests			Support	
Jacci Lepak	Shirley Heise	Х	Controller	
	Terry Vechinski	Х	Renita Ulrich, Recording Secretary	Х
	Carl Fech	Х		
	Amy Faust			
	Sarah Welch			

- I. Opening Prayer by Fr. Sam Martin
- II. March 28, 2023 minutes reviewed and stand as written
- III. President & Principals' Reports
  - A. What is a Forward exam? State assessment for all students K-10
  - B. How many students went to Rome? Nine
- IV. NCS Staffing Report by Jeff Gulan
  - A. Several positions already filled

- B. Current openings
  - a. NCES: St. Mark
    - i. Two 4K teachers
    - ii. First grade teacher
    - iii. Fifth grade teacher
  - b. NCES: St. Anne
    - i. Kindergarten teacher
    - ii. First grade teacher
    - iii. Principal announcement going out tomorrow-May 31, 2023
  - c. NC Middle/High School
    - i. Teacher general
    - ii. Interventionist
    - iii. Math teacher
    - iv. Physical Education teacher
    - v. Guidance Counselor
  - d. Child Care Centers
    - i. 3P Aide
    - ii. 2 Licensed Child Care teachers
    - iii. 4K Aide
    - iv. Two Summer Licensed Child Care teachers
  - e. Finance Assistant
    - i. Hired beginning June 5
  - f. NCCS: Holy Name
    - i. Headmaster

#### V. Enrollment Discussion

- A. What is meant by "our own 4K program"? Jeff explained the difference between the public school agreements we have at NCECC: St. Therese and St. Michael and our own program, in which we can use the curriculum of our choosing and integrate religion in the programming.
- B. Biggest "gap" in enrollment is at 5th to 6th grade
  - a. Increase in tuition is contributing factor
- C. Better enrollment/retention this year
  - a. More students returning than projected
  - b. Transfers from public schools
- D. School Principals were commended for the retention procedures they developed

### VI. Engagement of Education Commission

- E. How can the Commission be more "hands-on" to move the system forward?
  - a. Soliciting feedback from other parents and members of the community
  - b. Action item/Homework for gathering input was provided in the past
  - c. Join Strategic Planning committees
  - d. Create better organization of input and share with appropriate Strategic Planning committee
- F. All committee members were encouraged to go over the revised manual.
- G. Have a 1-year, 5-year, 10-year plan
- H. Committee members can be part of accreditation
  - a. Accreditation has requirements for technology, academics, facilities
  - b. What are our needs in these areas? What is our plan to meet those needs?
  - c. Each agenda should have an accreditation concept on it
    - i. Present Domains
      - 1. Clarify what the committee can do and what someone else has to do
      - 2. Have written goals

## Appreciation and Commendation

- A. Fr. Tom Lindner expressed admiration for Terry Vechinski's loyalty to teachers, students, and the church
- B. Fr. Al Slowiak was commended for his many years on the Education Commission
  - a. He will be most missed at NCES: St. Mark

### X. Closing Prayer by Father Sam Martin

### 2022-2023 Education Commission Meeting Schedule

Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. at NCES: St Anne

Tuesday, September 27, 2022 Tuesday, November 29, 2022 Tuesday, March 28, 2023

Tuesday, May 30, 2023