

News from School Committee

School Committee met on Thursday September 10. Here is a brief synopsis of the key discussion points:

- Kindergarten Aid and Specials were reinstated prior to the beginning of the start of school
- Afternoon latchkey program is up and running. The new Latchkey handbook is being recalled and revised due to some concerns of the School Committee. Both morning and afternoon latchkey will continue to offer drop in service
- 3rd & 4th grade are sharing specials and there is investigation of team teaching in the afternoons to permit one teacher to get Accelerated Math up and running. It was requested that more detail on team teaching be discussed at Meet the Teacher evening and a check-in with Mrs. Kiger and Mrs. Alger at October School Committee meeting
- Grants were made available to the school and several teachers took conferences over the summer as a result
- Teachers will have opportunity to review class accounts with Madelyn McCarthy and Mr. Tomlin
- A new process for proposing new programming was discussed and will be voted on in October
- The staff is proposing a revision to the uniform code to include khaki pants and plaid jumpers/skirts. Parents will be surveyed on the change and this will be voted on in October
- The staff is proposing addition of a part time counselor. The proposal will be reviewed in October
- Meet the Teacher night is September 18. There will be babysitting and sign up for committees
- Fundraising efforts are in full swing. They include Euchre tournaments, coffee sales, Achtaz pie sales, etc. Next meeting is September 22 7:30 at Pepper Joe's
- Marketing will run student and teacher profiles in the church bulletin. There is a birthday card program for the young children of the parish and information packets will go to realtors and banks.
- Girls Basketball and Flag Football are in full swing. Some new Booster advertisers are being added. Request was to have all coaches trained in using the portable defibrillator
- Parish Council Goals/Survey results were presented - there will be more discussion at the next meeting
- Suggestion was made to add babysitting service for School Committee meetings - investigating with NJHS/Confirmation Program
- Next meeting - Thursday October 8 7PM in the School Activities Room
- Please submit agenda items to Katie Parlow (pkparlow@aol.com) or Annemarie McLeod (annebica@comcast.net)