



St. Nicholas Parish

St. Victoria Parish

Guardian Angels Parish

Guardian Angels School

"All Our School Since 1917"

Guardian Angels Mission Statement

Guardian Angels Catholic School is a vibrant expression of the spiritual, moral, intellectual, physical and personal formation of each student, based on Catholic tradition, Christian values and the pursuit of academic excellence.

Guardian Angels School Philosophy Statement

Guardian Angels Catholic School is dedicated to:

- Empowering students to grow in their Christian faith through the teaching and modeling of Catholic principles and values.
- Providing a safe and caring learning environment for all students.
- Recognizing the variety of learning styles and abilities while striving to meet individual needs with an adaptable, written curriculum.
- Fostering respectful and open communication among parents, staff and students.
- Encouraging students to build a strong relationship with God in order to serve parish and broader community.

School Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: February 17,2009

Attendees: Terri Farr, Michelle Godzak, Melissa Nault, Jenny Richelson, Barb Winfield, Tom Tierney, Josh Yuhas, Nancy Ronhovde, Father Paul Jarvis,

Guests: Amy Gallus, Marie Guillemette and son Daniel

Nancy Ronhovde, Principal, called the meeting to order.

Father Paul Jarvis, Pastor, led the group in prayer.

Items Discussed:

General Session:

Uniform Committee Update

-Marie updated SAC on the Uniform committee findings. Marie said that the Uniform committee sent a written survey to all GA parents and a separate survey to Fifth graders. Proposed changes included going with a white polo with GA Logo for the dress uniform. There were many comments on uniform changes.

-Concerns were expressed that the white shirt would be see through for girls and the ability to keep the white shirt clean. This white shirt option was voted down.

- Another concern was changing the uniform in these economic times.

-The Uniform committee discussed phasing out the current uniform policy over two years. SAC members thought that should be limited to one year.

-Of all schools surveyed by the Uniform committee only Waconia and GA do not have separate uniforms for K-5 and Middle School

-In the school newsletter, Nancy will tell Middle School to hold off purchasing any new uniforms until uniform issues have been resolved.

Uniform proposed changes:

K-5

-No change to everyday uniform or Mass Day uniform

Middle school boys

-Khaki pants-no cargo or low-waist pants. The pants can be purchased anywhere.

-Navy blue shirt

-plain brown belt

Middle school girls

-Khaki pants-no cargo or low- waist

-Navy blue shirt

-white or navy socks

-Khaki skirts that are A-line or pleated from Land's End or other retailer must fall to middle of knee

-Mass Days-skirts with Navy shirts

Tuition Assistance

-Father Paul gave an update on the Tuition Assistance Program.

-SAC discussed extending tuition assistance to Kindergarten children because they have committed to GA.

-Nancy will have Lori send the tuition form to Terri

Open House Follow-up

- Terri will email everyone on SAC 2 or 3 names from the Open House to make follow-up call to check to see if they have any questions or need additional information. Take notes so we will not have to call them again.
- Melissa will make an advertisement for the bulletin and make an add for the Chaska Herald with bullet points of the Pre-school dates and time and include our new lunch bunch offering. Melissa will contact Amy for Pre-school dates and times.
- Father Paul and Nancy will call current GA families that have not registered.
- Jenny will call the Knutsen twin's family

Principal's Report

- Registration is lower than expected. Follow-up calls have not yet been made.
- Calendar for 2009-2010 changed to reflect that the National Convention will be here next year. Students will have a two-week school break.
- Phy Ed changes/subs discussed for remaining school year.
- Accreditation Team here for one hour February 23,2009 and they will be back March 23,24,25, 2009. They will be joined by two additional people from the Archdiocese looking at the "Catholic Identity" of our school. First three objectives distributed to SAC members.
- Melissa will put all standards on website.

Next SAC meeting March 17 at 6 pm.