

St. Lawrence School Commission Minutes  
December 4, 2007

**Members Present:** Tony Bagshaw, Tracy Boone, Dave McNally, Julie Mattlin, Bob Morgan, Connie Leyendecker, Karen Packard, Colleen Pope

**Members Absent:** Thom Blondell

**Ex-Officio Members Present:** Dena Steiner, Sister Mary Cecile

**Ex-Officio Members Absent:** Fr. Joe

**PTO Representative:** Kathy Mapes

I. Julie Mattlin led the commission in an opening prayer.

II. Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm in the lower level of St. Lawrence Church.

III. Tony announced that he has taken a new position in which he will be traveling extensively. The commission is aware that he might not be able to lead every meeting.

**Financial Report:** Julie reported that the Bowling Night fundraiser earned over \$7,000.00 which is a good start for the annual fundraisers.

**Principal's Report:** attached

Notes: ISTEP testing for the next school year (2008-2009) will be in the fall and spring and in 2010, the spring only.

There is a plumbing problem which may be either a clog or a broken pipe. Dena is waiting to hear what the problem is. A broken pipe could be a major expense.

IV. Dena presented several options for the upcoming school year. Having one kindergarten would free-up classroom space but would limit further classes. Combining a class frees up a classroom but the student size is an issue. A trailer would open up two classrooms but would take up space, isolate the students from the rest of the school, and is aesthetically unappealing. New construction at this time is not a viable option. Two quick and cost efficient options are to utilize the youth room as an additional classroom or combing the fifth grade into one class which would have 27 students. Dena will be in contact with Fr. Joe concerning these options. She will ask Fr. Joe to e-mail all members his response so that we are all getting the information. The commission voted unanimously that the incoming Kindergarten must be two classes. Tony will be attending the Parish Council meeting on December 11 to voice the commission concerns.

A motion to approve the October minutes was made by Dave McNally and seconded by Bob Morgan.

V. Julie led the commission in a closing prayer.

VII. The next meeting is scheduled for January 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00. The time was changed so that Fr. Joe could attend before the Parish Council meeting at 7:00.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Pope  
Secretary  
December 10, 2007