

Education Commission Meeting Minutes January 24, 2023

Present: Debra Beaman, Linda Kramer, John Szewc, and Nicole Kiefer

Committee Reports

St Edith Parent Association (SEPA)

- SEPA is sponsoring the Mad Scientist for Catholic Schools Weeks.
- The Daddy-Daughter dance is on February 11th. Starts with Mass 5 pm with dancing afterward until 8 pm. Will be communicated in the bulletin and to the RE and School students and parents.
- Mother-Son Nerf Gun Battle is planned for 3/5 with Mass and Spaghetti dinner afterward.
- SEPA is looking for donations for the School Auction being held on 4/29. They are also selling sponsorships and Ads.

School-

- Student Council News
 - Student council hosted an ugly sweater day on December 20th.
 - Be the Hands and Feet of Jesus drive is still going on to collect gently used socks and gloves!
- Christmas Break was Dec. 21-Jan. 3.
- The 7th and 8th grade Drama class put on Alice in Wonderland on 1/20/2023 for the school and for the public on 1/22/2023.
- School Open House is on January 28 & 29.
- Catholic Schools Week is January 30- February 3
- New Program coming to St. Edith in 2023-2024 – Kindergarten Prep for 4/5-year-olds who need an extra year to grow.

Religious Formation News:

- The Sacrament of Reconciliation has been celebrated for students from RE and the school during the month of January. The final celebration is this Saturday, Jan. 28th. We have had 51 students complete this Sacrament. (Objective 1.2)
- Additional service projects were organized by Patti Kelly and shared with the 7th and 8th grade Confirmation Prep students to assist them in meeting their required service hours. All open positions were filled. (Objective 1.6)
- Confirmation is 4 months away and reminders have been given regarding retreat sign ups. At classes this coming week, any missing paperwork will be made known and passed out to students to return.

Adult/Family Parish Formation

- Bible study continues Thursdays at 7PM. This is led by Mike Willis. They are looking to make use of free videos at Ascension Press. They will watch these and use as a discussion tool for the evening.
- Thursday morning Women's study continues in the AV Room. They will be doing a study based on the Holy Spirit.

- A women's study on Joseph, The Journey to Forgiveness by Melissa Spoelstra is being held in the RE Office on Wednesday evenings from 6-8:00. This ends Feb. 22nd.
- Feb.4th is the next Pizza dinner and Feb. 5th is the next Spaghetti Dinner. This will be a CYO Mass and dinner. At this dinner, the 8th grade class from the school will be hosting a bake sale fundraiser for their class trip. Attendees have been requested to plan on purchasing their dessert from the Bake Sale.
- A Winter session of Divorce Care began on Monday, January 9th at 6:30pm. We currently have 4 people attending this session.

CYO

- Our Eagle basketball teams had a very nice Christmas tournament season!
 - The Varsity 1 boys split a pair of games, losing to St. Lawrence, and beating Everest Academy. The JV 1 boys team went 2-1, finishing 2nd to a very tough Our Lady of Sorrows team.
 - Varsity 2 boys took 3rd place in a close game against St. Anselm.
 - Our JV 2 and JV 3 Boys battled each other for 3rd place after both fell to DC in the semi-finals. The JV2 boys came out on top in a close game.
 - Our JV 2 girls played 2 close games against older teams at Sacred Heart falling to St. Joseph-Trenton and St. Michael.
 - The Varsity girls and JV1 girls both competed in the very festive Holiday Hoopla. The Varsity girls took 1st place, pushing their winning streak to 40 games dating back to last season!
- Friday Fish Fries will be 2/24 with dining in the gather hall this year.
- 2nd annual St. Patrick's party will be on 3/11 at the George Monaghan K of C.
- It has been determined that there will be no more 7th and 8th grade dances.
- The spring sports of baseball and softball will be starting up soon.

RCIA

- RCIA classes continue.

Next Meeting: February 28, 2023