

PSR ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Monday, October 12, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Parish School of Religion Advisory Board was held on Monday, October 12, 2009. Those present were Coordinator Anita Toth and Board members Mary Shields and Lois Thompson.

The Coordinator presented a registration update indicating an enrollment of 242 students. Thirteen additional students are enrolled in the Home School Program. The Home School Coordinator, Lynne Mitchell, will meet with the Home School parents on November 2, 2009.

A review of the budget was presented by the Coordinator, which included the Board approved purchase of Bibles, First Communion Catechisms, and Saints books. The operational budget was approved by the Board as presented.

The Board voted to move forward with the decision made in May to assess the feeder parishes \$50.00 for each student enrolled in this Parish School of Religion program. There are currently 31 students enrolled from 5 neighboring parishes. A letter to be sent to the parish priest from each of those parishes was reviewed and unanimously approved by the Board.

7th Grade Catechist, Craig Laskowski has arranged to have Arlen Harris, a former running back with the St. Louis Rams for three seasons, as a guest speaker at Gibault on November 18th.

The possibility of including Kindergarten in the Parish School of Religion program for the 2010-2011 school year was a topic of discussion. This issue will be researched and reviewed before a final informed decision can be made by the Board at an upcoming meeting.

The Board reviewed and approved a Tuition Grant Application for families who need assistance in meeting the tuition requirement for the PSR program. There are currently five families who appear to be in need of this Grant.

Catechists will be given report cards for individual students at each grade level this week, in order to provide evaluation and attendance records to parents at the end of the first quarter on October 28, 2009.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on November 9, 2009 in the Parish Pastoral Center.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lois Thompson