

**St. Gerard Majella**  
**School Board Minutes**  
**December 9, 2014**

Board Members Present: Beth Lindner, Will Lauber, Christy Schiller, Coral Haddock, Corby Leinauer , Sally Kellogg, Christy Ross and Carla Peretz

Board Members Not Present: Mark Green, Tim Mooney, Kara DiCarlo and Shannon Combs

Ex-Officious Present: Maureen Heidenry , Ms. Guthrie and Fr. Molini

Presenter: Kara Lydon

Call to order at 7:00 pm and Opening Prayer by Sally Kellogg

✚ **Catechesis of the Good Shepard presentation-Kara Lydon**

- A Montessori based program to give hands on learning about the Catholic faith following the Liturgical Calendar has been running for 5 years. Ann Eilermann and Kara Lydon have both been through a year-long training and are certified for Level 1 (ages 3-6) and Level 2 (ages 6-9). Ann is currently being trained for Level 3 (ages 9-12). They are teaching approximately 200 children per week. Always looking for more people to be trained to help with the program.

✚ **Fr. Molini Report –**

- After Christmas masses, a book “The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic” by Matthew Kelly will be handed out. There will be a Children’s Concert on January 6<sup>th</sup>. A mission will be running the first 4 weeks of Lent on Sundays from 4:30 – 6:00. For 2015, the archdiocese mission will be ‘Prayer’. There will be a Capital Campaign for Catholic Education driven by the diocese. We will be looking for volunteers to run it for our parish.

✚ **Ms. Guthrie Report –**

- 30 families came through (17 new families) the Kindergarten open house. Copy of the school’s standardized test results will be sent to parents in the next week. The first week of December groups of 5<sup>th</sup> graders were paired with 6<sup>th</sup> graders to spend the day in middle school. The week of December 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> all students will have the opportunity to work on computer coding skills through a world-wide effort to have 10 million students learn to code. A film is being installed on specific areas throughout the school and gym; APT funded this project. Grades 1-8 will be involved in service projects beginning in January 2015.

✚ **Additional Items-**

- *Policy Updates* – Property Damage, Loss or Theft Policy will be implemented for the next school year. *Building Committee* – More lighting is needed for the parking lot; it will be the *Fund-a-Need* at Jubilat<sup>o</sup>. *Marketing Committee* – Web-site is complete. A Realtor open house will be planned for next semester. School video will be a 2 month process and students may be able to participate in the production. Social media is still being researched.
- *Next Meeting* – January 13<sup>th</sup>

✚ Meeting adjourned 8:50pm