

July 2, 2009

Greetings from the St. James School Board!

My name is Stephanie Steffensmeier and I am the current School Board Chairperson. I would like to introduce our current school board members:

Stephanie Steffensmeier – Chairperson

Tim Bonderer – Vice-Chair and Public/Parish Relations

Molly Doherty – Principal

Father Tom Albers – Pastor

Father Timothy Armbruster – Associate Pastor

Keith Volpi – Financial

Rich Lehman – Athletics

Physical Plant – TBD

Technology – TBD

I would like to welcome Brenda King as the newest member of the St. James School Board and to thank our outgoing Chairperson and Vice Chair, Michael O'Brien and Gerard Coday. They provided valuable insight and leadership to the board and we appreciate all their efforts.

The St. James School Board serves as an advisory board to the school's administrators.

The school board is consulted in the following areas:

Planning;

Policy formulation;

Finances, including the approval and monitoring of the budget;

Development, including public relations, recruitment and marketing; and

Annual evaluation of school goals and plans.

School Board meetings are held on the 1st Monday of each month at 6:30pm in the St. Stephens room. Meeting dates are published in the school newsletter and the church bulletin. Parents are welcome to attend any school board meeting. We have an open forum where parents are given two minutes each to: report from other committees,

submit problems or voice any concerns to the School Board. As a reminder, prior to bringing a classroom related issue to the school board, please make sure you have followed school procedures and discussed the matter with the classroom teacher first, followed by a meeting with Principal, Mrs. Doherty, if necessary. Finally, Father Tom Albers may be contacted after meeting with Mrs. Doherty, again, if necessary. If the matter needs to be addressed by the school board, it can be brought to the board at this time.

Please feel free to contact any of the school board members with any questions or concerns you may have. You may also e-mail your questions or concerns to the school board at school.board@stjameschool.org. Please let us know if you want your e-mail read during the Open Forum or presented during Executive Session.

We are looking forward to a wonderful school year!

Stephanie Steffensmeier

Chairperson

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