**Southwestern Michigan Principals’ Conference**

**August 16, 2012**

Those in attendance: Jerome Wolff, Larry Sellnow, Nate Seivert, Matt Herbst, David Snyder, Kevin Lemke, Joe Greefkes, Bradley Pleuss

Meeting was called to order at 9:40 AM

**Devotion:** Based on 1 Kings 19 Messengers of the King.

**Professional Development:**

Zarling Paper pp. 16-28

Discussion: Emphasis on the reasons for our schools:

Safe, small sizes, good education. (All good reasons, but not the reason)

Why choose our school? Jesus, always Jesus, only Jesus

Ties with devotion…don’t lose heart

Discouragements in congregation…..

Dave Snyder ….long time to return …8th grader encouragement.

Instantaneous results and gratification…

Successful vs. faithful

**MLHS REPORT**

 24 incoming freshman

Graduating 31

2 Foreign students enrolled. 1 young lady from Mexico and another young lady from South Korea.

Principal Herbst is working toward approval for the F1 visa in order to allow foreign students to attend MLHS for all 4 years. Emphasis was placed on the great commission.

Division of duties is well managed. Mr. Herbst is thankful to come into, “a house that is in order.”

Challenges/goal continuing to keep program quality high….

MLHS would like a count of 8th grade students for every area LES.

Looking at marketing (a.k.a. communicating and promoting) the life giving message of the Savior and the quality Christian education offered at ML.

Looking for ways to build enrollment.

**Academic Committee**

Date 10-27 …..Changed to March 2nd ??? Website update

**Atheletic Committee**

Committee to discuss changes to the track meet

Nov 16 and 17 hosting the B team basketball tournament

Games start Friday at 4 or 5 PM

January 19 and 20th Sat. Sun 9 or 10 AM start Sat 1 or 2 start on Sun… Girls tournament.

Duties for track will be reviewed by the committee.

Volley ball discussed.

**Old Business**

Titan for a day Jan. 25th

October 28th Joint reformation service at St. Paul’s Stevensville

**New Business**

Marketing our Lutheran Schools presentation (MLHS Principal Matt Herbst)

**Round Table**

**JW**  collaboration field research

**LS** Pre school 4s is full 3s has 5 or 6

**KL**  Mr. Teacher of the month and his teacher of the year are anticipating 29 students.

**JG** Loss of 4 due to transportation and delinquency

**DS** 104 to 110 for next year…depends on the weather…. ELA update

**NS** core curriculum

**BP** Pass

**MH** 1 time per year joint inservice for all K-12

**NEXT Meeting:**

Friday November 2nd at South Haven in Church

Larry Devotion leader for 11-2

**Post Script Note:**

Thurs Oct. 11th impromptu lunch meeting at District Conf