

St Mary's Board of Education Minutes

Religion and Prayer Room

February 20, 2024

A. Call to Order – Jason 7:03am

1. **Members Present:** Amanda Kietzmann, Dan Kirscht, Troy Sladek, Kristen Faber, Fr. Matthew Kuhn, Jason Rauk, Jake Mach, Todd Wentworth, Laurie Bienias, Janice Larson, Fr Rick
2. **Members Absent:** Julie Desautel, James Turner, Tammy Huss
3. Prayer was led by Kristen

B. Recommended Action

1. Routine Matters

- a. Approval of Agenda: Kristen made a motion to approve the agenda, Dan 2nd. Motion carried.
- b. Approval of Minutes: Kristen made a motion to approve the minutes, Dan 2nd. Motion carried.

2. Sub-Committee Reports

- a. PAC: Potluck meals for conferences. Looking to plan for adopt a highway before May.
- b. ACCS update: Troy talked to Chris Chisholm(on Advisory board for ACCS). NorthStar presentation switched gears to a letter format (NorthStar requested change). Unknown when NorthStar will make a decision or get back to ACCS.

3. Staff Reports {Pre-meeting typed updates are sent to the members before the meeting. If there is anything discussed at the meeting or additions- those will be noted below}

- a. Faith Formation – gr 9- adult-
- b. Faith Formation – Sunday School & VBS – Julie:
- c. Faith Formation – Grades 1-8–
- d. Faith Formation –Sacraments- Laurie:
- e. Elementary School – Fish Fry total attended is 367 for the first fry on 2/17

4. Old Business

- a. Calendar Raffle Sales Data- 10 families didn't sell. \$41,500 gross brought in from raffle. 240 extra tickets were sold above and beyond. Brief discussion about hospitality desk and ministry.
- b. K Registration Recap- full with 2 on wait list. 22 existing families that were eligible- 14 where St Marys family(one St John Nepomuk) 27 Catholic (68%) 2 students are not officially members of St marys (other local parish)
- c. Finance Council Presentation Review and Response Plan- Question turned to "How can SMS plan to be sustainable with less parish support?" Take away was to improve communication with Finance and BOE.
 - New student coming in, cost to educate is about \$700 or less.
 - Dan had multiple meetings with Todd and compiled data to help guide our tuition price. (thank you, Dan)
 - Active vs non active- how can we incentivize or reward active stewardship to our church and school?

5. New Business

- a. WyldLife Program- bump to next meeting

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- b. Spring School Staffing Update- Mrs. Stang's maternity leave starts in April and Mrs. Ristvidt will fill in. Mrs. Kubat may need to leave early pending the sale of her home. This was discussed at a previous meeting (husband's job has been relocated) – students' parents know. May need to fill with a sub for the rest of year in her potential absence.
- c. 24-25 Tuition Planning/ Timeline – Troy will need to fill a 3rdgr teacher for next school year. The enrollment numbers will help to guide staffing needs.
 - Dan and James will meet to propose some tuition prices for our March meeting.

C. Information & Proposals

1. Pastoral Council Update: Jake reported about supporting the Eucharistic Congress. Josh Waltzing spoke at mass to spread the word recently. They are looking to fill the bus.
 - meeting with bishop to give our church and school update/info of ACC is set for Feb 28.
 - nominations for Parish Council in March and April

D. Future Business

1. Next Meeting Date 3/19/24

E. Adjournment: 8:01 am

Minutes respectfully submitted by Amanda Kietzmann, Secretary 2/20/2024