

St Mary's Board of Education

11-19-24

Call to Order: 7:03am

Prayer: Dan

Present: Dan Kirscht, Troy Sladek, James Turner, Tammy Huss, Kristen Faber, Jake Mach, Fr. Matthew, Amanda Kietzmann, Fr. Dan Ruprecht, Todd Wentworth

Absent: Janice Larson ** Janice is stepping down due to changes in her job and availability to make it to meetings. We are sad to see her go**

- Action to fill 2 vacancies needed before Dec. meeting

Recommended Action

Routine Matters-

Approval of Agenda: Kristen made a motion to approve the agenda. Jake seconded.

Motion approved

Approval of Minutes: James made a motion to approve the minutes. Kristen seconded.

Motion approved.

**Pre-typed summaries are made available to members before the meeting. Anything additional is mentioned here.

Sub-Committee Reports

Parent Advisory Council: No meeting this month. Ditch cleanup and Halloween Family Festival happened. Meals for conferences planned for teachers. Calendar raffle tickets will be distributed at conferences.

ACCS: Nothing to report.

Staff Reports

Faith Formation, Tammy Huss: shared Laurie's report. Tammy shared a bit about how Family Faith Formation was going. Positive growth and progress with the new program. Approx 60 families are signed up.

St Mary's School, Troy Sladek:

Old Business

Review of Bylaws: Tabled this until next meeting

Funding ideas, \$65,000 Budget add-on: Discussion below under the subcommittee recap.

New Business

Finance / BOE subcommittee Meeting Recap: Troy, Dan, and James met with Craig Olson and Tom Klecker of the Finance Council. Intention was to get on the same page with the finance council. Finance Council as part of the 2024-25 annual budget, was intentional about increasing staff salaries to be fair & just, in accordance with Catholic social teachings. As a result, more revenue & support is needed and the council felt that it shouldn't fall 100% on the backs of parishioners. So \$65k was determined to be a helpful amount of support to be generated by the school. Lots of discussion on potential letter to send to Alumni, ministry moments/testimony of Catholic and non-Catholic families . . .

James summarized the goals:

- we want to build alumni network
- reach out to other parishes and congregations to subsidy
- resend/educate about Fair Share

Kindergarten Invites and Data Collection: touched on reaching out to parish families of incoming Kindergarteners to invite them to consider SMS.

Information & Proposals

Pastoral Council Update: Father Matthew is going on sabbatical in Jan.

Future Business

Next Meeting Date: Dec 17, 2024 7am

Adjournment:8:13am

Minutes submitted by Amanda Kietzmann on 11-19-24
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