

**BISHOP RYAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 16, 2023**

Mike Christianson called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m. in the Bishop Ryan Library.

**I. Opening Prayer:** Fr. Phillips

**II. Roll Call** – Ashli Longie

**Members Present:** Mike Christianson, Fr. Degele, Tadd Demars (video), Fr. Kreitinger, Fr. Maus, Fr. Phillips, Fr. Richter, Mary Prough, Katy Schaefer, and Lindsey Wald

**Members Absent:** None

**Ex-Officio Members Present:** Fr. Nelson, Jaimie Brunner, Brenda Nush, Ashli Longie

**Ex-Officio Absent:** Katie Denne, Gregg Magnuson, Tanya Steckler

**Guests:** None

**Mission Statement:** *“To serve God and His children by laying the foundation for lasting happiness through education in virtue.”*

**III. Recommended Action**

**A** Motion to accept the minutes of the July 2023 regular board meeting by Fr. Maus, second by Katy Schaefer. Motion passes with all members present voting yes.

**B.** Motion to accept the financial statements for July 2023 by Fr. Kreitinger, second by Lindsey Wald. Motion passes with all members present voting yes.

**C.** Additions/Changes to the Agenda: handbook amendment – 1<sup>st</sup> reading and move armed 1<sup>st</sup> responder to the Executive Committee discussion.

**IV. Old Business**

**A.** None

**V. New Business**

- A.** Committee Assignments were discussed. Lindsey Wald joined the By-laws and Parent Advisory Committees.
- B.** Handbook Amendment – 1<sup>st</sup> reading to remove ‘finals for second semester classes may be given at the instructor’s discretion’ as it is contradictory if the student earned an exemption from second semester final tests. Additional discussion related to number of absences a student has during second semester even if the student maintains an 83% B. Motion by Katy Schaefer to pass as first reading, second by Mary Prough. Motion passes with all members present voting yes for a second reading at September meeting.

Meeting Time: September 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 p.m. set for the next meeting date. Fr. Maus will be absent as he will be on retreat.

**VI. School Reports**

**A.** Principal: Tanya Steckler – Elementary physical education position filled. New faculty in-service was held on August 10<sup>th</sup> and went well. Classroom assignments are complete. August 14, 15, and 16 are faculty in-service days.

**B.** Marketing and Enrollment: Jaimie Brunner – Enrollment numbers distributed and discussed.

**C.** Advancement: Katie Denne – No report.

**D.** Chaplain’s: Fr. Degele – Discussed new curriculum and who is teaching what. Initial ideas and thoughts for 2024 mission trip.

**F.** President: Fr. Nelson – Floors in the gym, activity center, and halls are completed. Discussion on Blackbaud implementation. Additional discussion on the parcel of land for the new school.

**VII. Committee Reports**

**A.** Executive Committee: No report.

**B.** Finance: Fr. Nelson – Amended budget will be discussed next month.

**C.** By-Laws, Handbooks, Staff & Student Policies: No report.

**D.** Parent Advisory Committee (Super Omnia): Tadd Demars – Keith Braunberger is the new chair, replacing Jarid Lundeen. Jesse Zwak oversees concessions this year. Additional programs are lego robotics, literary lions, chess and math club.

**E.** Foundation: Mike Christianson – Meeting on August 29<sup>th</sup>.

**F.** Evaluations Committee: Meeting after September 20<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

**G.** Other:

Closing Prayer: Fr. Maus.

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Mike Christianson, Vice-President