

St. Benedict Catholic School
School Board Meeting
September 21, 2023
St. Benedict School Library

Call to order: 6:03 pm

Opening prayer: Fr. Hertges

Attendance: Don Elsbernd, Lori Galligan, Steve Haluska, Father Hertges, Elizabeth Kane, Jenn Kuehner, Michelle McLain-Kruse, Kristy Meyer, Al Weis, Alex Wicks

Guests: Sarah Christopher, Sally Dougherty, Randy Schissel, Jackie Harless, Megan Swanson

Review Minutes: Elizabeth motioned to approve August minutes, with corrections, Al 2nd, motion carried.

Budget Review: Elizabeth made the motion to approve August budget, Al 2nd, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Administrative: The year is off to a great start! There are 167 students enrolled, the largest enrollment in 21 years. Homecoming is this weekend. Band drumline is coming to play. School play is Sponge Bob.

Financial/Budget: Al: Church finance meeting was September 9, 2023. Haven't made a draw on CFAD – can do this in October. \$10,000 – (2) \$5,000 scholarships for seniors – 1-time scholarship. Final part of capital campaign project is complete. \$13,228.11 was moved from capital campaign to church fund to pay for parking lot improvements.

Building/Facilities: Randy: Issues with current heating/cooling system.

A capital campaign for the school is in discussion.

What to do with diesel in tank.

Getting a quote for inline water conditioner for dishwasher.

Randy is ordering more bulk products for custodial supplies.

Possibility of needing a new phone system was discussed.

PSA: Elizabeth: Fundraiser for back to school night.

Strategic Planning: nothing to report

Banquet of Blessings: Saturday, March 23, 2024.

Faculty: Lori: 8th graders started working on musical, October 18, 1:00 & 7:00 pm. Lots of field trips and outdoor educational experiences for the students.

Old Business:

Rep for Finance Council: Steve Haluska will represent board for Finance Council, starting in October.

Criteria for new students: Elizabeth made the motion to approve Preschool and School Enrollment as presented, Alex 2nd, motion carried.

New Business:

FAST Testing Complete.

New staff introductions: Sarah Christopher, Sally Dougherty, Randy Schissel, Jackie Harless, Megan Swanson

ISOLVED: Nationwide company that does payroll. Rollover for October 10 payroll period.

Grandparents Day Mass: It was a large turnout. There was an outdoor Mass and snacks afterward.

Trane System: See above

Mower donations: Paid in full for mower that was purchased.

School Play: See above

Financial Statement – EOY: was reviewed.

NEIACFA Endowment: There is discussion re: the Community Foundation endowment that is starting.

Tuition Increase: Will be further discussed next month.

Future Business:

Next meeting, October 12, 2023, 6:00 pm, St. Benedict School Media Center.

Prayer: Alex Wicks

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.