

School Board Meeting
January 10, 2024
St. Benedict School Library

Call to order: 6:16 pm

Opening prayer:

Attendance: Don Elsbernd, Judy Franzen, Steve Haluska, Father Hertges, Elizabeth Kane, Michelle McLain-Kruse, Kristy Meyer, Al Weis, Alex Wicks

Review Minutes: Elizabeth motioned to approve November minutes, Alex 2nd, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Administrative: nothing to report

Finance/Budget: Good Christmas envelopes

Building: Security grant has Marso Electric and Driftless Security will give estimates.

PSA: \$3740 is in their account. Doing a car wash

Strategic Planning: Nothing to report

Banquet of Blessings: March 24, 2024, at Silvercrest Golf Course, working on donations for raffle.

Faculty: nothing to report

Old Business:

Annual Fund update – \$23,838 and still open for donations

New Business:

Motion on Policy 4111.22 regarding Staff Reduction: Al read the following policy:

“Per Archdiocesan Policy #4111.22, the St. Benedict school board requests the administration to conduct a review of staffing needs for the 2024-2025 school year. If necessary, as per policy, staff reduction recommendations must be made no later than the regular March board meeting.”

Tuition for 24-25 School Year: \$3050 for 24/25, +\$400 fee for Art, Technology, Music and Textbooks Don made the motion, Elizabeth 2nd, motion carried.

Registration - Dates and Process: Preschool registration is from February 5 - 29, 2024 and determination of acceptance is March 30, 2024. K-8 registration is from February 20 - March 15, 2024 and determination of acceptance is April 1, 2024.

Catholic Schools Week 1/28 - 2/3 - Plans: Saturday Mass at 5:30 church (Jan 27) will be the kickoff followed with pizza and movie in the gym afterwards, board members will speak at the masses that weekend

Endowment fund: How to increase the endowment fund was discussed. Elizabeth made the motion for unrestricted funds to have 50% go into the endowment and 50% towards the school until the goal of \$10,000 is met, effective immediately. After the \$10,000 goal is reached, re-evaluate. Don 2nd, motion carried.

Closed session at 7:46 pm.

Closed session ended at 8:12 pm.

Future Business:

Next meeting, February 8, 2024, 6:00 pm, St. Benedict School Media Center.

Prayer: Al

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle McLain-Kruse, EA