

St. Augustine Cathedral School LAC
LAC Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 16, 2025



Attendees

Administration: Andra Zommers

Board Members: Sarah Morgan, Sarah Kennedy, Lisa Ebenhoeh, Elizabeth Ratti, Erick Marmolejo, Craig Thompson, Alicia Ochoa, Brendan Collins, Nathan Schneck

Board Members Absent: none

Guests: Deacon Lucas

Meeting called to order at 5:30; followed by prayer and the Mission Statement:

*St. Augustine School, in partnership with parents and the Catholic Church, welcomes and shapes young people as they grow in **faith, knowledge, and stewardship.***

AGENDA

1. Approval of May Minutes
 - Motion by Thompson (with removal of draft at the top). Seconded by Collins. All voted in favor.
2. Principal's Report
 - Done via electronic communication this month
3. Liquor License for Legacy

Ratti moved to approve the liquor license for Legacy. Ochoa seconded. All voted in favor.
4. Deacon Lucas Presentation

Deacon presented on the Holy See's Teaching on Catholic Schools booklet. The archbishop of Vancouver wanted to synthesize information on Catholic school teachings. The archbishop presents 5 marks of a Catholic school. People can use these to identify schools that are authentically Catholic. Deacon Lucas shared his notes on the first three marks as noted below:

 - Inspired by a Supernatural Vision
 - Founded on Christian Anthropology
 - Animated by Communion and Creativity

The group discussed ways that the school functions as a genuine community and had suggestions to improve in this area.
5. Legacy Golf Outing

Talked about the new system-wide event.

The group discussed concerns about Legacy and the risk we are taking with going to the combined event. Last year we had 107 golfers and raised \$23,500 in sponsorships. The group gave the blessing to book the golf for the Friday when school gets out. Nathan noted that people might be looking for babysitters if any older students are available.
6. School Safety

KDPS did a walk-through of the building and have been helpful. KDPS was pleased with our environment and protocols such as locked doors and labeling the doors with numbers, security cameras, perimeter fencing, etc. Recommendations included: the bushes on the outside of the faith garden which are actually on the inside of our property line. Cutting these back will help improve site lines. The parish and Crowley Center were asked to install additional cameras (on front door and in the hallways). KDPS would

also like us to have an airlock second entrance at the front. Dr. Zommers plans to implement all of these as funds allow (safety grants are available). KDPS was impressed with our response plan and response plan training. There is Civilian Response training in October for all staff and parish staff. Safety is a constant conversation; not just when something happens. Sarah Kennedy noted that we should lobby our legislators for safety grants to enable private schools to use public funds for safety. In the 2026 budget, this is no longer possible (it was in the past). Andra could share information for parents from the MI Association of Non-Public Schools with regard to contacting legislators.

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8. Next Meeting – October 14, 2025 at 5:30pm

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:18. Motion to adjourn by Morgan. Seconded by Ratti.