

## All Saints School Board Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2017

**Members Present:** Jesse Duman, Denise Hammrich, Matthew Johnston, Michele Beehler, Brennan McKelway, Andrea Jolliff, Audrey Krahn, Karin Seubert, Michelle O'Conner

**Members Absent:** Monte Schmidt, Julie DeBarbrie, Robert Clifford

**Visitors:** None

The meeting was opened by Matthew Johnston at 6:05 PM. Opening Prayer was led by Karin.

Acceptance of Minutes from November

Minor spelling corrections to the previous board minutes

Karin moved to accept with corrections, Jesse seconded and the motion passed with all in favor.

### Committee Reports

Enrollment and Retention

The committee has not met. No report at present.

Finance

The committee has not met. No report at present.

School Building

The building committee met with Father, and he would prefer a more subtle approach with fundraising funds specifically geared towards the sale of St. Joseph's Regional Hospital. Instead Father has written a letter to Ascension Health and has requested the Bishop to also write a letter, addressing the needs of the school and local parish.

There are meetings scheduled with the architect to determine total square footages.

Annual Fund

The annual fund letter went out in November. Currently we have \$17,044 from the fall fund. The summer fund raised about \$3,000 for a grand total of 20,619.

Scrip/Gift Cards

Nothing new from incoming scrip reports. Michele, Jean and Michelle will be meeting next week to discuss ACH and other ideas to increase the Scrip program.

Guardian Angels

A meeting was held last week, however no board member was present to report at it. There was low attendance due to a winter storm.

## **Foundation Board**

The committee has not met. No report at present.

## **Fundraising**

Christmas trees profit was \$23, 181, and our budget was \$16,500.

Strive to Drive planning will begin again soon. Getting ready to go as soon as Julie returns. There is no chair at this time. There was discussion around how the Strive to Drive could be changes or bettered.

## **Principal's Report**

End of the semester is next Friday.

Next Friday is also the pre-visit for our accreditation. The team will come and visit and get their self-study binders. The accreditation committee will leave and read the binders and study about our school and when they return for the visit they look to see the things that they read about.

In two weeks it is Catholic Schools week. The focus areas for the days of the week will be as follows:

Collecting non-perishable food for the Whitman food pantry. During that week Alumni is also

Over the weekend we had three students that did very well in the Hoop Shoot.

Lego League competition was over the weekend. There are two teams, the 6/7 team won 2 of the trophies. The 4/5 team also won a trophy. The Watkins do a great job coaching and really teaching the meaning behind the league.

The staff retreat last week was excellent. The parish staff also joined us. We started with mass and then it built from there.

We had two new students join in December one in sixth grade and a one in third.

## **Old Business**

Board Retreat looking at the April time frame. Michele will reach out to find open days at Lindsey Creek.

## **New Business**

Overview of the GEM Account Legislation. The local superintendent reached out to educate about some new legislation that is being proposed. The idea with these accounts is to help some of the children that are falling behind, these dollars could be used for these children to go to schools or receive services to support additional help/education. Catholic schools could be recipients for these dollars if they obtain enrollment of these children. This would allow corporate partners to donate into this account for additional tax dollars. Matt will send out the summary that he received.

Discussion regarding the high school bond and if the school board would be interested in pushing information to our school parents. The board is in favor of Matt writing a letter to parents regarding being informed and encouraging being educated about the new school bond.

The week of Christmas break there was some issue with gym usage. We ended up chaining the gym doors and not having coaches and teams using it over break. We held an executive meeting with Jesse, Monte, Michele, Julie and Denise to re-organize and set new expectations for coaches and practices. We then held a meeting with the coaches and the meeting went well, and things have been operating smoothly. Stogy was also there to review the gym rules and how to leave the gym appropriately.

Jesse and Michele met with Northwest Media productions in November to give them an idea of what we may be looking for from a capital campaign while moving toward the new school. Jesse handed out a copy of the quote from Northwest Media for review and discussion. The board seemed very positive about moving forward. Denise will check if there is anything that needs to be vetted with the Diocese or with Father specifically.

Michelle O motioned to move ahead with Northwest Media, Audrey seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

One of the superintendent's goals is to get a computer information system for all the schools, there is a start up fee of \$1300 and another \$1300 in 2018 and then \$10 per student per year. It provides online registration, grades online, and automated reporting for the school and teachers.

Just before Christmas there was issues with the boiler. There was water everywhere. Guardian came and there ended up being tubes that were beginning to rust and leak. Guardian plugged the leaks, and has been trying to work with our insurance to see if they will help cover it. We have not heard back from the insurance at this time.

Next Meeting – Wednesday February 15, 2017

Closing Prayer was led by Michelle.

Meeting adjourned at 7:03 PM.