

St. John School Parish of Independence

Mission: To promote life-long learning and faith formation in the Catholic Christian tradition.

School Board Minutes

Thursday, October 5, 2017 6:00 pm – Library

Members: Father Beckman - Pastor, Karla Kleve -President, Trixie Reed -V.P., Maggie McGarvey - Secretary, Joe Junk, Brad Kegler, Amy Holle and Marnie Barnett

Excused Members: Father Beckman

6:02 Routine Business

- A. Call to order - Karla
- B. Opening prayer/Faith Sharing - Jim
- C. Roll call/ Excused/unexcused – Excused Fr. Beckman
- D. Approval of Agenda – Amy approved agenda with addition of C. ACE Meeting to Old Business. Trixie seconded. (motion passed).
- E. Approval of minutes – Brad approved minutes. Joe seconded. (motion passed).
- F. Budget – Trixie approved budget. Marnie seconded. (motion passed).

6:08 Guests – Connie Weber

6:08 Board In-service

- A. Diocesan policy review (**4119.2 – 4119.6 Joe**) – Staff Dismissal – Professional/Respectful. Main focus being the students.

6:16 Old Business

- A. Anonymous Gift
 - a. 14 laptops = \$17,000 – Trixie made a motion to approve purchase of 13 laptops from Apple with 1 of those being reimbursed from preschool grant. Joe seconded. (motion passed).
 - b. Vans = \$2000 – Oil has been changed, recommended getting safety inspection done. Marnie made a motion to add “Vehicle Maintenance” line item to ear marked funds with \$500 of this money. Joe seconded. (motion passed).
- B. Dress Code update
 - a. Teacher input – Teachers have suggested maybe starting with younger grades and adding middle school the next year.
 - b. S.I.A.C. meeting Oct. 25 – will get input from them on moving things forward and creating survey.
 - i. Input & survey
 - c. PTO meeting January
- C. ACE – Iowa Advocates for Choice in Education. Main focus at this meeting will be ESA and STO’s.

6:54 New Business

- A. New Day Care provider – Rita Williamson will be starting Monday 10/9.
 - a. Additional Aide – Marissa Robinson will be on call and available in the event that there are more than 16 children.
- B. Operational Vitality
 - a. Discuss your school’s year-round recruitment/retention and marketing plan. Each school should have a committee responsible for this important task.
- C. Commercial Ads – Going to reach out to new families to see if commercial persuaded any of them to check out St. John.

7:00 Reports-

- A. Principal’s Report –
 - a. Observations have begun on teachers, Needs Assessment this month.
 - b. Using the rest of the Community Foundaton grant (\$1975) for the purchase of benches for softball field. Thank you note to be written to Pat Mahoney of Miller Quarry for the donation of rock/limestone.
- B. Parish Council – Trixie
 - a. Trunk or Treat 10/29 after Mass.
 - b. Dec. 3rd is the first Sunday of Advent, 24th 4th Sunday of Advent. Morning and evening masses.

- c. Coffee/Treats after mass? Looking at doing this once per month.
- C. Finance – Karla
 - a. Redecoration Committee will have first meeting 10/18.
 - b. Repairs to rectory windows that needed to be fixed \$500/each.
 - c. Looking into fixing the basement leak area right.
- D. PTO – Amy
 - a. DOT Fundraiser—Eagle on License Plate
 - b. Online Apparel Store coming soon
 - c. Bazaar 11/18 will have pianists playing during the bazaar.
 - d. Spring Fling: Theme - School Spirit. Also looking for volunteers to shadow current chairs.
 - e. PTO looking for new President and Vice President.
- E. Building and Grounds – Brad
 - a. Retaining wall – needs attention, Brad to meet with Jim and Rick to discuss further.
 - b. Checking into having an energy audit. Also looking into LED lights and rebates available.
- F. SCRIP- Maggie –
 - a. Gross Profit for Sept. 2016 \$2012. Gross Profit Sept. 2017 \$2272.76.
 - b. YTD sales gross profit 7/1-9/30/16 \$5893.51 and YTD sales gross profit 7/1-9/30/17 \$5910.24.
 - c. Thursday mass scrip sales – we've been getting good response from this.

7:24 Adjourn - Trixie made a motion to adjourn meeting. Amy seconded. (motion passed).

Next meeting: November 2, 2017 6:00 Library
Policy In-service assignment (4119.2 – 4119.6 Maggie)