

St. Patrick's Catholic School

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School Advisory Board
February 10, 2017
Media Center

Board Members

Bill Pulte - President

Carrie Kubicek – vice president -

Christina Diers - excused

Ann Monday - excused

Tim Kramer -

Derek Strohman

Alisha Beran - Secretary

Others in attendance

Fr. Tom Fangman

Principal Norm Hale

Assistant Principal Nick Mumm

- Call to Order – 6:30 pm by Derek 1st and Carrie 2nd
- Prayer
Lord, You created us and put us on Earth for a purpose. In Your presence and name—Father, Son and Spirit—guide and bless our efforts toward a successful Capital Campaign, as we grow our future, rooted in faith. May all our thoughts, inspirations and actions have their origin in You and be directed by Your glory. Amen.
- Audience Petition –
 - Paula Blackledge – home and school representative, Catholic Schools Week – Paula added was a great success, appreciate the administration's support, increased the budget and the enthusiasm and excitement for the school went great, good feedback. Paula requested the administrator's report be added going forward to the meeting minutes. President, Bill Pulte, did not see an issue with this, therefore going forward the Admin report will be added to the school board minutes, including February's report.
 - Mrs Smith, Mrs McElhose, former teachers at St Pat's were interested in learning about the principal search process. We advised them on the process and a note will go out to all parents in the next p-notes.
- Consent Agenda –
 - January Board Minutes – approved by Carrie 1st and Tim 2nd
- Committee Reports

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- Administrative Report - Hale

Catholicity-

As mentioned in previous administrative board reports, the Catholic Schools Week Committee did a phenomenal job of providing the staff and students a wonderful week of activities.

A big thank you goes out to not only the committee but other volunteers who came into the building over the course of the week to decorate the school. In addition, the students did a wonderful job of greeting parishioners as they came into church during the first Sunday of Catholic Schools Week. The students were very well-versed in terms of their readings as well as being appropriate and respectful in Mass.

The Human Rosary was probably the biggest highlight of the week. It is very special to have all of the students in Mass, participating in such a special part of our faith life.

During CSW St. Patrick's held their annual spelling bee. This year Mrs. DeWald was the teacher who was in charge of organizing the spelling bee. Our two winners were Paige Pulte (first place), and Carson Liebentritt (second place). Both winners will be going to the next round, which is city wide. Congratulations to both of them! We had 12 great spellers in this year's spelling bee.

With that, Acuity was only testing over reading and math. MAP will test reading, LA, math, science, and include the skills navigator (like Aleks) all included in one price. We are getting way more for just a few extra dollars.

The School Improvement Committee:

St. Patrick's continues the implementation of a color system indicating our noise level expectations throughout the building. During the last Discipline With a Purpose meeting, it was discussed as to whether or not the color coding should be changed in the stairwells nearest the main foyer in the elementary. At this time, it has been determined that we will keep it a silent zone.

The school will receive its next AdvancEd visit in March, 2018. The School Improvement Committee (SIP) will meet sometime during the next couple of weeks to address the response to mandated actions. By the end of May 2016, St. Patrick's must respond to the required actions by the advanced accreditation team in terms of the progress being made toward mandated action items. Once completed, the school administration will provide a copy of the progress report to the St. Patrick's School Advisory Board.

The focus of these meetings is to review the AdvanceEd website to ensure that St. Patrick's School has met its obligations in terms of reporting on mandated actions from the last visit. An example of this would be how teachers are utilizing Acuity, Terra Nova, and daily classroom assessments to modify instructional strategies.

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Teacher Observations:

All but two teacher evaluations have been completed. The remaining observations will be completed within the next two weeks before contracts are offered. As mentioned in last month's Advisory Board Report, each teacher must be formally observed at least once per year. In addition, first year teachers will be observed a minimum of two times per year.

Discipline-

The students at St. Patrick's have had a phenomenal start to the school year. They are a positive reflection of their parents, teachers, and the Parish community. To this point, we have had a very minimal number of student discipline issues, the biggest issue being students working on consistently submitting homework in a timely fashion.

Curriculum and Textbook Planning-

St. Patrick's School formally assesses students using the Acuity and Tera Nova Testing Instruments. During the February Advisory Board meeting, the administration and Mrs. Delaney will present the latest test results, as well as current data trends as they relate to standardized testing.

The Professional Learning Communities (PLC) continue meeting. As mentioned in last month's Advisory Board Report, the purpose of these meetings is to promote teacher collaboration in terms of curriculum alignment and mapping, as well as review textbook and supplies needs.

Elkhorn St. Patrick's is moving to MAP testing for the 2017-18 school year. This will be taking the place of Acuity testing which we have had for the past 3 years. MAP is going to let St. Patrick's use the testing program for free for the remainder of the 2016-17 school year. This will be a huge advantage for our teachers and students. The teachers will be trained on March 27th, during our in-service day. Then, in April, the students will take their first MAP test, instead of using Acuity. This is beneficial for two reasons; first, teachers will know how to use it when they walk in the door next year, and we will not have to devote time teaching them during our in-service days at the start of year. Second, we can use this data from the end of this year as a starting point for our PLC's as they are aligning them with our school goals. This will cost St. Patrick's nothing for this school year. As far as the cost for next year in regard to MAP, this year each parent in 3rd-8th grade pays \$15 per student per year. Students in K-2 pay \$3 per student per year. Map will cost \$18 per student per year for 2nd-8th grade, and K-1 will pay \$18 as well next year. A minimal difference with the exception of the K-2 students.

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- Finance – the expense of cafeteria equipment was brought up and advised the school board to create a committee to help with planning in the new cafeteria.
- Enrollment/Recruitment/Retention – kindergarten full for next year, Pre – K full, advertising at the local sport clubs where select teams play their games seems to be working. Currently tours are given by Mr. Hale or Mr Mumm
- Policy and Calendar – vote on in March
- Safety Committee – has not met
- Old Business
 - Lunch Program Committee – There will be a sub-committee formed to help with lunch planning in the new facility – all options are on the table and to be discussed. So far members of the Committee will be lead up by Alisha Beran with Mrs. Sheri O'Hare, current lunch program manager, Mr. Hale, Mr. Mumm, Nicole Vossen, Holly Hillyer, It was discussed to ask Andy D'Agusto – to be a member. The ideas to converse with Mr. Hockenberg, expert in the food industry and Mr. Thompson were discussed to help us with the process. Mr Mumm presented the board with different lunch menus from around the area. We will look to have our first meeting in March after Spring Break.
- New Business
 - MAP Update -new software approved, the company will let us start this year so teachers can learn and then go full force next year – see admin report for details
- Principal's Remarks –see Admin Report
- Pastor's Remarks – Also Enjoyed Catholic Schools week, recruitment is going well, the task for school to do its best at all levels.
- Executive Session (Yes) – Tim motion for executive session Derek for second motion.