

# SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Date: February 10, 2021

Time: 7pm via Zoom

Called to order by Mark Niedzwiecki at 7:01pm

## In Attendance

Fr. Tom Fangman

Tawnya Mann – Asst. Principal

Mark Niedzwiecki

Matt Graves

Kami Landenberger – Principal

Meg Schwartz

Candace Thompson – Asst. Principal

Kelly Parr

Jim Ridder

Brad Peal

## Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the January meeting were motioned to approve by Meg S, seconded by Matt G, and were unanimously approved.

## President's Report

### Snow Day Decision

E-learning will be held on snow days due to limited instructional hours. The school made the choice to not file an affidavit with the state to get a waiver on going under the minimum required hours since it was the school's choice to take instructional days off in the fall. Sitting at 1041 scheduled instructional hours – need 1032 hours. Due to a quick turnaround time for the decision, the SAB wasn't able to be briefed about the decision.

### SAB election

Biographies are due in March and elections will be in April. 3 spots are available on the board.

### Covid vaccines

Teachers in group up next to get vaccine. Early March/April will be available through Kohll's.

### Next Meeting

St. Patrick's Day - will meet and have a little celebration.

### Proposed amendment to the by-laws

It was proposed to either wait until 2023 to implement the 2 faculty family member limit or have past president serve an additional year as a non-voting member/advisor. We will discuss via e-mail/or zoom to take a vote before the March meeting.

## **Committee Reports**

Home and School - Kami

- Quick meeting that recapped CSW activities

Finance – Brad P.

- School/church budget board, St. Pat's qualifies for PPP, may not raise tuition this next year due to being ahead of budget, 2 new FTE's for Faith Formation, way behind on free lunch money from the state – need to follow up with the state. No risk of not getting it. Meeting next on 2/22.

School Operations – Jim R.

- Incident management/safety – table top drill with staff/faculty is suggested to be a part of the strategic planning.

Parish Pastoral Council – Alexis

- Meeting is on 2/11.

## **Old Business**

### Report on 5th and 6th grade schedule changes

7/8 started switching classrooms in January and it's going great. No contact tracing. 5th started Monday – social/emotional change is remarkable. Has changed the dynamic – more energy in the building. 5-8 in lunchroom, one grade at a time. Art is back in the art room. Teachers love being back in their own classrooms.

### Parent Textbook Concern

Parent had productive conversation with administration about the new social studies book. The parent is working with 7/8 grade social studies teacher to share his experiences of growing up in Communist Czechoslovakia when it fits with the curriculum.

## **New Business**

### Parishioner/non-parishioner discount

No system is in place today to ensure that families receiving the parishioner tuition discount are active parish members. Admin is going to research the system the school used in the past and will discuss next month.

## Principal's Report

### CSW Recap

Lots of fun. Covid made it different. DJ at lunch. Tribute to first responders will remain each year. Spelling Bee. Talent show. Sending out survey to get feedback for future. Coloring contests – winners will be in bulletin. Fun chaos!

### COVID Relief Funds

EAN Funds - \$17million allocated to the state– not applying because doing PPP

PPP – parish is deciding whether to apply. Been advised to apply for PPP instead of EAN – could be \$750 to \$850k

GEERS funds – no update. Looking for devices for kids.

### Reenrollment 2021 2022 report

666 K-8 651 reenrolled for K-8, 761 enrolled when preschool, prek, transitional kindergarten included. 96% retention – which is normal. Would like to be at 815+ which was pre-covid goal. An open house will be held on 2/21 from 1 to 3pm For K-8. Preschool is full.

### Welcome Scholarship

\$500 for first year per child, \$1000 max per family

### Human Needs/School Mission

Human Needs committee would like the school to consider expanding outside of COPE. Proceeds will be more widely distributed through the city. Potential collaboration with Human needs on the mission t-shirts.

### State of the School update

Hope to have March 30th (Tuesday of Holy Week). Share tuition at that meeting.

## Pastor's Remarks

State of the parish had all good feedback. Lots of good things happening. Thankful for school leadership. Many blessings in this difficult year. How we choose to respond to difficult times is in our control and so many have chosen to respond in a kind and Christian manner. The Archdiocese asks for nominations for educational excellence to be honored each September and a \$5k award. We haven't had a winner in recent year, but would like recommendations from the SAB for this year. Nominations due March 8th.

## Remaining Meeting Dates

March 17

April 14

May 12

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.