



September 8, 2021
SAB Board Meeting

Members: Ashley Carlisle, Fr. Tom Fangman, Matt Graves, Abbi Gowen, Kami Landenberger, Tawnya Mann, Brad Peal, Jim Ridder, Meg Schwartz, Candace Thompson

7:00pm meeting called to order and began with prayer and pledge of allegiance

Minutes from August 18, 2021 were approved

Reports:

President's Report: [Meg Schwartz]

A group of parents representing 60 current St. Pat's families met with Meg, the administration, and Fr. Tom on August 27, 2021. The group shared their data and concerns about the mask mandate. In Halo and future Principal emails regarding COVID updates will include data points for where the dial is for Douglas County, 68022, and internal data/spread.

Promotion of St. Pat's value proposition. In looking back on the strategic plan and the current school status, it would be the perfect time to approach parents about 'why their kids are at St. Pat's'. Candace Thompson to lead a committee in creating a video with this message and have it ready before Christmas time to send to families and put on the website as a recruitment tool especially as we move into registration season in January.

Home & School: [Kami Landenberger]

Meets Monday night, there is a discussion of moving back to in-person meetings versus Zoom and starting at 8pm versus 7pm.

Finance Committee: [Brad Peal]

Meeting was 9/7 and there was discussion about what things might look like with the loss of tuition from families leaving. While there is an estimated shortfall, there is further support for SPIRIT and Sponsorship. It was noted that with the latest rounds of EANS money, we do not qualify.

School Operations: [Jim Ridder]

Nothing to report

Parish Pastoral Council: [Meg Schwartz]

Update on mask mandate and support for what the school is doing. It was asked if school children could serve during daily masses, not just weekly masses. There was discussion about touring St. Wenceslaus' new church as the process continues for the new build. The 2nd PPE was forgiven, and the parish is good fiscally. There was also a motion to bring Donut Sundays back.



Old Business:

Nominations:

Officers were voted and the '21-'22 Vice President is Abbi Gowen and the '21-'22 Secretary is Brad Peal.

New Business: None

Principal's Remarks:

Update on enrollment changes. We are currently at 732 students, having added 5 new students since the start of the school year.

Lunch program updates. Lunch continues to be free per the state and there is a significant increase in the number of students eating this year. Last year there was an average of 270 lunches being served a day and this year there is an average of 488 a day. A la carte begins September 13 for students in grades 3-8.

Early out professional development days update. Teachers had their first PD on September 1. Teachers participated in a Common Sense Media course as we work to become a certified school given that we are essentially 1:1. This is a two course process for teachers and parents and students will also be participating this year as we work to receive certification. Teachers were also divided into 4th-8th grade to dive into Microsoft TEAMS and PreS-3rd & Specials for Seesaw. Ann Rasmussen and Tina LaMontagne led the training sessions. The focus on the remaining five early out Wednesdays is curriculum mapping and aligning vertically in the school. Part of the process is reviewing the state standards with the materials that we currently use and work to have alignment from grade level to grade level. Also working on MobyMax, STAR CBMs and other tools to help offer differentiation and extension for students in the classrooms.

Update on STARS testing. September 7-17th is the window for students to test in both areas of reading and math. State standards reports are being utilized as well as classroom and grade level comparative data. All of these reports are being utilized in weekly PLCs for K-4 and bi-weekly for middle school team meetings. Overall, the scores are showing growth for our students and offer teachers good baseline data. There will continue to be the usage of these reports as teachers continue to receive training for STARS and become comfortable with other features of the program. STARS testing allows us to gain comparative data among students in the Omaha Archdiocese. The next testing window will be in the winter term. Parents will receive a report on their child/ren at conferences at the end of September.

Pastor's Remarks:

Fr. Tom has reflected a lot since the last SAB meeting and grateful to have everyone on the same page and Fr. Felt very picked up. He trusts that we find ourselves in the place God wants us to be.

Meeting ended at 7:52pm