



**School Advisory Board Minutes: 2/7/24**

*Submitted by Melanie Hoffmann*

**Present:** Ashley Carlisle, Candace Thompson, Tawnya Mann, Fr. Tom Fangman, Melanie Hoffmann, Ty Christensen, Brad Peal, Brian Krejci, Abbi Gowen, and Kami Landenberger

**Call to Order:** 6:35pm

*Prayer and Pledge*

*January minutes approved by Melanie Hoffmann and Abbi Gowen*

**President's Report:**

- 3 openings for 2024-2025 School Advisory Board Elections
- TAGG Program: Funds raised will go to an overall school fund. It was suggested to specify funds allocation to possible Impact/Gap Appeal for school.

**Committee Reports:**

- **Home and School:** January meeting was cancelled due to weather.
- **Finance Committee:** No update
- **School Operation Committee:** 2023-24 School Calendar had been emailed out to families.
- **Parish Pastoral Council:** No Update
- **School Improvement Team:** No Update due to meeting February 13<sup>th</sup>
- **Wellness Committee:** January meeting postponed, meeting February 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Unfinished Business: None**

**New Business:**

- **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation Festivities:** 8<sup>th</sup> grade Mass, Kickball Game, and Graduation will all take place during the school day on 5/17.
- Concerns over PreS/PreK 3:00 pick up. Parents need to pull all the way around to the bottom to prevent spots from being blocked from K-8 pick up in Lot 4.
- Social Media concern via TikTok that was addressed by Kami to 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents

### **Principal's Remarks:**

- **Scholarship Nebraska updates:** Candace working with state senator to set up a "town hall" type meeting to inform our school community of the updates. More to come on topic.
- **Copy Paper Supply for 2024-25:** New copy machines require a specific copy paper to be used. Rather than having parents provide the paper, administration looking at a technology fee of around \$20-\$25 per student and use those funds to buy the required copy paper for the school. Copy paper would no longer be on the school supply lists.
- **Lunch Program:** Kami and Debbie Street visited St. Wenceslaus over the lunch hour to observe the Westside Lunch Program. St. Wenceslaus saw an increase of 100 students eating hot lunch with their switch to the Westside Lunch Program. Kami has been in contact with the Westside representatives about St. Patrick's switching to their lunch program for the 24-25 school year. Current prices for students could be maintained, however there would be a slight increase for staff lunches and parents would no longer be able to eat a school lunch with their student(s) due to accurate numbers being submitted daily.
- **2024-25 Enrollment Numbers:** As of February 7<sup>th</sup>, 749 students PreS-8<sup>th</sup> are enrolled. 30 students had yet to re-enroll for next school year. Total of 9 students were not returning for various reasons.
- **Enrollment Committee:** Meeting scheduled for February 9<sup>th</sup> with Corey/Finance Committee. There will be some additional big cost items for next year, including the security personnel salary as Home and School and Men's Club had supported most of it for this year. Looking to do some classroom remodels/refresh for upcoming school year.
- **Parish Elections 2024 Dates:** Upcoming elections for the Parish are set for 4/13 and 4/14. Ads and Bios will run in the bulletin.
- **STAR Assessment Update:** Testing window was still open, but results thus far are showing growth in Math and Reading

### **Pastor's Remarks:**

Father Tom thought Catholic Schools Week went very well. He also passed along positive comments of our St. Patrick's students from the owners of Mama's Pizza. It is tradition to visit Mama's Pizza after the 8<sup>th</sup> grade mass at Cathedral. The owners were very complimentary of our students.

### **Executive Session**

**Meeting ended in prayer and was adjourned**