

St. Joseph's School
School Board Minutes
Monday, April 20th 2026
5:30 pm-Conference Room

1. Call to order and opening prayer. Meeting started at 5:30. In attendance; Jonathan Westphal, Father Eberle, Narcel Clark, Matt Kohler, Sara Loomer, Kate Lambert, Brittany Lyons, Heidi Lee. Absent: Joan Zander
2. **Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings, motion to approve by Kate, 2nd by Sara. Ayes-6, Nays-0.**
3. Review of financial statement.
 - 3.1 There was no review of financial statements for this meeting.
4. Administrators report.
 - 4.1 Current Enrollment is 199.Old Business:
 - State Testing – Was finished on 4/20. The results from last year were used to build testing goals for this year. The board reviewed class by class results. Some positives were seen but we want to build towards school wide improvement. 3 out of 6 classes saw improvements in math scores and 1 out of 2 saw improvements in science scores. 3 out of 6 also outperformed state averages in math, and 1 out of 2 outperform state averages in science.
 - Feast of St. Joseph – Took place on 3/19. There were activities in the gym, and we received a good number of volunteers to help it run smoothly.
 - Chrism Mass – Was in Bismarck, and the 6th graders went. They represented our school well and enjoyed the experience.

New Business:

- Benchmark Testing – This was recently started and will do the data dig on the results soon.
- Kindergarten Screening – April 21st, 3:30-5:30 – This will help determine the needs, goals, and expectations for next year.
- Stream Night – April 23rd 5-7 pm - Teachers and staff are getting ready and are preparing for this. They are excited about this event.
- Raffle Sales going on – Drawing on May 1st - This raffle is still ongoing. As of April 17th, roughly \$5,000 was raised. The drawing will be held after Mass on May 1st.
- Family Breakfast – May 1st - The school is asking parents to RSVP the week of April 20th.
- First Communion – May 3rd - The retreat for the second graders will be on April 22nd. They will complete their banners on this day as well.

- Special Education Services - There has been some difficulty determining qualifications for services as it currently stands. This has been prompting some conversations about how to best meet needs of the students and what will best work for the school long term.
- Spring Concert – May 7th - This will be held in the church. The concert will be split by grades the same way that the Christmas concert was.

5. Pastors Report –

- We will be looking for a new principal for the 2027-2028 school year. We plan to start advertising for that soon. We are thankful for all the work Narcel has done and is continuing to do!
- Fr. Eberle said a closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 6:22. The next meeting will be May 18th, at 5:30.