**ST. JOSEPH’S SCHOOL**

School Board Minutes

Tuesday, August 11th , 2020

4:30 pm

1. Call to order and opening prayer
   1. In attendance: Father Kovash, Father Luger, Julie Quamme, Aaron Schmit, Brandon Johnson, Vanessa Njos, Heidi Coughlin, Erin Vournas, & Abbey Dahlberg
   2. Absent: Kelsey Lee
2. Previous Meeting Minutes
   1. Motion to approve previous meeting minutes by Brandon Johnson, 2nd by Heidi Coughlin
3. Financial Report
   1. None
4. Principal’s Report given by Julie Quamme
   1. Our enrollment is holding between 200-203. Enrollment seems to change continuously.
   2. Survey about school attendance this year has been good. A little over half of families have responded. Only about 7 kids at this time will be enrolled in remote learning.
   3. The school has offered positions to 2 new paraprofessional positions. A band teacher had been in the works, but they called today and backed out.
   4. It was found out last night that production has been halted on Chromebooks and no Chromebooks would be available before October at the earliest. The school is now looking on getting refurbished computers as a plan B. The Chromebooks would be moved downstairs for the younger grades and the older students would use the refurbished laptops with a mouse.
      1. The refurbished laptops come with a 3-year warranty.
   5. The health and safety plan has been approved by the health unit. The plan is fluid as the CDC can come out with new guidance at any time.
   6. Julie has put together a COVID-19 Response team. Julie would like a board member to be a part of this.
   7. Plan will be emailed to the parents tomorrow
   8. Temperature will be the main guideline for keeping kids out of school and/or isolating them and sending them home.
   9. The school board reviewed the Health and Safety plan and gave suggestions for improvements.
      1. Board suggested sending out the plan but then also developing a quick reference guide for the main bullet points
      2. There was a discussion around proper playground policies and the board decided that the idea of zones on the playground was a good policy for now.
      3. The school board voted to approve the Health and Safety plan with the recommended edits.
         1. Motion to approve with the edit by Abbey Dahlberg, 2nd by Heidi Coughlin.
5. PTO Update
   1. None
6. Old Business
   1. None
7. New Business
   1. New Vice President Election
      1. Placed this on agenda for the next meeting
   2. COVID-19 Response Team Member
      1. Heidi Coughlin volunteered to the position.
8. Pastors Report given by Father Kovash
   1. Father and Julie have met with 15-20 parents so far on the tuition assistance. Father feels like without the tuition assistance we would have lost several families due to financial concerns.
   2. There was a staff meeting last week where staff were able to voice their concerns and Father felt it went really great.
   3. The halls and doorways were painted this summer. Triangle electric updated the lighting in the hallways to LED lights. The bathroom projects were put on hold onto next year, but the two main bathrooms did get a new coat of paint.
   4. Father did meet with the owner of the building that we have been in a MOU with and the owner was very understanding and let Father know that he is in no rush and to give him an update when possible.
9. The next school board meeting will be Tuesday September 22nd, at 4:30pm in O’Neill Hall.
10. Closing Prayer & Meeting Adjourned