

ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

School Board Minutes
Tuesday, May 3rd, 2022
4:30 pm

- 1 Call to order and opening prayer
 - 1.1 In attendance: Father Kovash, Father Greg, Julie Quamme, Aaron Schmit, Vanessa Njos, Erin Vournas, Kelsey Lee, Brandon Johnson, & Abbey Dahlberg
 - 1.2 Absent: Jonathon Westphal
- 2 Previous Meeting Minutes
 - 2.1 Motion to approve previous meeting minutes by Vanessa Njos, 2nd by Erin Vournas
- 3 Financial Report
 - 3.1 No Financial Report Given
- 4 Principal's Report given by Julie Quamme
 - 4.1 Enrollment
 - 4.1.1 Current enrollment for this year is at 210.
 - 4.1.2 Next year's enrollment is at 202 already enrolled and 21 in the process of enrolling.
 - 4.2 Curriculum
 - 4.2.1 Wonders 2023 (ELA) – cost is \$53,000 – 58,000 for 6 years.
 - 4.2.1.1 A resolution has been sent to the Bishop and hopefully will be approved in 2 weeks.
 - 4.2.1.2 There will be a training in October and again in January.
 - 4.2.2 The Math curriculum that is currently being used is being discontinued and will need to be updated after the 2022-2023 school year.

4.2.3 The science and social studies curriculums are outdated but the Wonders curriculum will be incorporated into these areas.

4.3 NDSA Results

4.3.1 Science (only 4th grade) – St Joes Students 61% proficient (State avg is 38%)

4.3.2 ELA – 3rd Grade – 53% (State avg is 39%); 4th Grade – 29% (State avg is 42%); 5th Grade – 65% (State avg is 46%); 6th Grade – 60% (State avg is 49%)

4.3.3 Math – 3rd Grade – 47% (State avg is 49%); 4th Grade – 22% (State avg is 37%); 5th Grade – 70% (State avg is 44%); 6th Grade – 35% (State avg is 40%)

4.4 Resignation – Mrs. Dahl

4.4.1 The board had a lot of discussion around teacher retention and what is happening with the culture of teaching.

4.5 Missoula Children’s Theatre is going on this week with 2 performances on Friday.

4.5.1 Thanks to Maggie Martin and Susan Elsbernd for helping coordinate this experience for our students.

4.5.2 A total of 43 students tried out for the production

4.6 Last week of school

4.6.1 Spring Concert is May 24th at 7p

4.6.2 Talent Show is May 25th

4.6.3 Spring Fling at the park is May 26th

4.6.4 6th Grade graduation is May 26th at 7p

4.6.5 Step up Mass is May 27th at 8:30a

4.7 Move-a-thon is being moved to the beginning of the school year instead of spring.

5 Old Business

None

6 New Business

6.1 School Board used to do Mass Intentions.

6.1.1 The board picked two mass intentions and talked about resuming this tradition in the fall.

7 Pastors Report given by Father Kovash

7.1 Word of Life – new religion curriculum

7.1.1 Gets parents involved on a very intentional basis.

7.1.2 The Body Matters will be used as a supplemental curriculum. It is based off of Theology of the Body.

7.2 Early Childhood Center

7.2.1 Current fundraising is 3.712 million committed. Total cost is 4.35 million including furnishings.

7.2.2 Groundbreaking is still scheduled for this month.

7.3 The school is looking for a modular for the second 2nd grade classroom for next year.

7.3.1 Cost of the modular is around \$33,000/year including desks. The modular is big enough for 20 kids.

7.4 The bathroom projects is looking for a new general manager as the old general contractor is too busy at this time.

7.5 Aaron's school board term is up in August. Vanessa stated that she will probably not start another term when her first time is done in August.

8 The next school board meeting will be Tuesday, June 21st, 2022 at 4:30pm in O'Neill Hall.

9 Closing Prayer & Meeting Adjourned