

St. Joseph School Board Meeting

December 15, 2021 6:30 P.M. (in School Classroom)

Meeting called to order by President Joel Hoffman at 6:30 P.M.

I. Roll call

- Present: Doug Klein, Joel Hoffman, Todd Henning, Ron Simon, Kellie Antes, Nick Lawless, Aaron Schneider, Susan Craft, Autumn Spitzley, Erica Piggot
- Absent: Kerri Smith, Nick Lawless
- Guests: Pat O'Mara

II. Approval of Agenda: Addition to the agenda of voting on new member.

Move to approve by S. Craft and seconded by T. Henning

III. Approval of Minutes: K. Antes suggested that it be added in that we began discussion on EANS funding.

The minutes were approved by J. Hoffman and seconded by A. Spitzley

IV. Public Comments: none

V. Principal's Report:

Mrs. O'Mara reviewed the principles report.

In summary, Mrs. O'Mara has been working on revising the emergency plan for the school.

Century Club is going well, Century Club is in need of volunteers.

A student teacher is coming in January.

St. Joseph School is looking at the cooperative agreement between public and private schools.

VI. Business Action Items:

none

VII. New Business:

K. Antes gives information on the EANS Grant. Money is meant to cover expenses that increased due to covid. There are two phases of funding of \$62,000. Examples include cleaning supplies, Chromebooks, and learning management systems.

K. Antes is concerned that this may open the door to the government becoming more involved in our school.

S. Craft commented that the grant will be a one time shot of money. She is not concerned about any long term impacts of using this money.

K. Antes wants the parish to be informed that the school board has talked through these issues.

Mrs. O'Mara commented that she has collaborated with the teachers on what will be purchased.

S. Craft commented that the school should not make purchases until the money is in hand as grants can change at the last minute.

Motion is made by S. Craft to appoint Erica Piggot as a new school board member. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of Committee Members...

A. Spitzley will be joining the Communication Committee and Marketing Committee

S. Craft will be on the Finance Committee.

School Board members are invited on January 18th at 5:00 pm to talk with the strategic planning committee at Our Lady of Consolation in Rockford.

The board has a discussion on the process of creating a strategic plan. Mrs. O'Mara would like a 3 year strategic plan to be created.

VII Committee Reports

- Marketing Committee – none
- Committee of Board Members -- none

- Communication -- none
- Development -- none
- Finance – none
- Executive Committee – none
- Mission Effectiveness – none
- Building and Grounds – none
- Planning and Policy Committee – none

IX. Suggested Items for Next Month's Meeting: discussion of what info is gathered at the meeting with Our Lady of Consolation

X. Next Meeting Date: Wednesday January 19th @ 6:30pm – Parish Activity Center

XI. Adjourn and Prayer:

Meeting adjourned by T. Henning and seconded by A. Spitzley at 8:00 P.M. and closed with a prayer.