

St. Joseph School Board Meeting

January 18, 2023 6:30 P.M. (in Classroom)

I. Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Meeting called to order by President Joel Hoffman at 6:30 P.M, and begins with an opening prayer by Father.

II. Roll call

Present: Doug Klein, Joel Hoffman, Susan Craft, Autumn Spitzley, Elizabeth Thelen, Erin Kowatch and Aaron Schneider

Absent: Kellie Antes, Ron Simon, Nick Lawless and Ericka Piggott

Guests: Ryan Weber, Nickie Wentworth and Father Darrell

III. Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda is made by Susan Craft seconded by Erin Kowatch.

IV. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the November and December minutes is made by Aaron Schneider and seconded by Erin Kowatch.

V. Communications

None

VI. Public Comments

None

VII. Principal's Report

Ryan Weber presented the principal's report. A summary of some key points includes the following.

Ryan Weber commented on the consistency that the school board provides.

Many teachers are using the NWEA testing to collect data on student performance.

Fund a Need request was submitted to the Century Club committee

The Advent program was a success

The accreditation process is going well, with teachers helping complete portions of it.

Girls basketball is underway.

Catholic Schools week preparation is underway. Each day will have a highlight in dressing up or activities.

Update on grants.

97D grant will give money towards making safety improvements. A company, SEC, has been in as a third party to recommend and make the improvements.

Student illness has been better recently.

January 27th will be a full day off for students.

Beginning process of updating the bathrooms is underway.

Kindergarten roundup date is set for March 1st.

VIII. Business Action Items

none

IX. Business New

Ryan Weber gives an overview of the budget for the school.

Ryan has been in contact with the Diocese about recommended increases in tuition. The tuition increases are outlined in a report that Ryan shares with the board. The recommended increases range from 2% for four student families to 5% for one student families.

Father commented that no family has asked for the tuition assistance. There is \$40,000 set aside that can only be used for tuition assistance.

Ryan handed out a copy of the Statement of Activities that shows all expenses and income for the school for last year and a proposed budget for the coming year. Ryan points out some key areas of the budget.

Autumn Spitzley asked Ryan about the protection and security on the technology that is being used by students. RESA provides security and Ryan is looking into using Go Guardian also to monitor student activity with technology.

At next month's meeting the board will vote on both the tuition increase and the communication that will go out to parents. The board should use the time before next month's meeting to go over the budget and proposed increases and have any discussions.

Erin Kowatch asked father about fund raising for the school. Father stated that all fund raising should be handled by the school and follow the guidelines set by the diocese.

X. Committee Reports

Executive Committee: none

Marketing Committee: Autumn Spitzley stated that the committee is working on the informational flier for the school.

Development Committee: none

XI. Suggested Items for Next Month's Meeting

Voting on tuition increase and on parent communication. Voting on the school budget.

XII. Next Meeting Date

Wednesday, February 15th 2023 @ 6:30 pm – In Classroom

XIII. Closing Prayer

Father led the group in prayer.

XIV. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting by Susan Craft and seconded by Erin Kowatch at 7:30 P.M.