

St. Joseph School Board Meeting

December 6, 2023 6:30 P.M. (Middle School Classroom)

I. Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Meeting called to order by Kellie Antes at 6:30 P.M, and begins with an opening prayer.

II. Roll call

Present: Susan Craft, Kellie Antes, Erin Kowatch, Joel Hoffman, Doug Klein, Ericka Piggott, Autumn Spitzley and Nick Lawless

Absent: Ron Simon, Aaron Schneider and Elizabeth Thelen

Guests: Principal Ryan Weber

III. Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda is made by Joel Hoffman and seconded by Autumn Spitzley .

IV. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the October minutes is made by Susan Craft and seconded by Nick Lawless.

V. Public Comments

None

VI. Principal's Report

Mr. Ryan Weber presented the Principal's Report. Mr. Weber provided a copy of the report to all board members.

Some key points:

- Nathan Klein and Ryan have been in contact with the high school administration about the future of our middle school athletics in collaboration with the public school.
- Arrival and dismissal will continue behind the school.
- The school calendar for 2024-25 is being proposed.
- Ryan is finishing up the 31aa grant this week. Widow films, Go Guardian software, and 2 way radios are being purchased.
- Student happening - Be Brave and Virtuous, student will be doing skits to show the negatives and positive of what is happening around the school.
- Students collected food for local families.
- The open house went well.
- Students created cards for local homebound.
- Ryan sets out several proposed tuition increase scenarios for the board to review. With a budget shortfall, an increase in tuition is necessary. The board has a discussion on the amount of the increase. The board will have a special meeting on January 3rd to vote on

the increase. In the meantime, Mr. Weber will get the board more information and potential tuition increase scenarios, to make a more informed decision.

VII. Business Action Items

- A. Kellie Antes talks about the new school board member recruiting. Father Darrel will appoint from the members list that is brought to him. The board would like to have four new members.
- B. Strategic Planning Workshop update. Kellie Antes states that the planning process is going well, and at the meetings have been very positive.
- C. Email address reminder - Kellie updates the board about the need for board members to not have a joint account.
- D. Attendance reminder - the board is reminded that they may have no more than three absences per year are allowed by board members.

IX. Business New

- A. None

X. Committee Reports

- A. Executive Committee: None
- B. Marketing Committee: None
- C. Development Committee: A bathroom remodel is in process.
- D. Strategic Planning: Update was given during business action items.

XI. Suggested Items for Next Month's Meeting

- A. Ryan Weber will share out the projections for tuition increases before our next meeting.
- B. A discussion on teacher retention.

XII. Next Meeting Date

Wednesday, January 17th 2023 @ 6:30 pm – In Classroom
(special meeting on January 3rd to discuss tuition)

XIII. Closing Prayer

Kellie Antes closes the meeting with a prayer

XIV. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting is made by Joel Hoffman and seconded by Susan Craft at 7:40 pm.