St. Pius X School Board Meeting Minutes

January 16, 2020

I. Opening Prayer – Ms. Blakely

II. Roll Call - Ms. Sears

Members Present: Alex Baranosky, Mary Jo Kever, Father Dave Fleming, Kelly Cain, Greg Hayes, Maria Sears, Justin White, Ryan Tyler, Bill Hunnicutt, Renee Blakely

Members Absent: Chris Marshall, Tricia Johnson, Ryan Sauer

Guests: Donna Bishop, Dean Roth, Tracy McCormick, Erica Harlan, Jenny Jodlowski, Lori Christ, Jason Lee

- **III. Acceptance of Agenda** Ms. Blakely made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Tyler seconded, and the agenda was unanimously accepted.
- **IV. Approval of Minutes** Ms. Blakely made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Tyler seconded, and the minutes from the December meeting were unanimously approved.

V. Donna Bishop - Superintendent of Catholic Schools

Ms. Bishop introduced herself to the attendees at the meeting and gave brief overview of her background. Ms. Bishop noted that the reason for her attendance at tonight's meeting was to distribute the evaluations (the "Evaluations") that would be distributed to the Board members after the meeting. Ms. Bishop noted that the Board members would need to complete the evaluations for each of Mr. Baronosky and Ms. Kever and return the evaluations to the Diocesan office.

VI. Reporting

- A. Teacher Reports: None.
- **B.** Home & School: Ms. Harlan shared that the annual auction is scheduled for February 8th and that ticket sales are ongoing, a roller-skating party is scheduled for February 11th, and that Home & School is working on their plan for the 2020-2021 school year.
- C. Administrator's Report: A written report was submitted by Ms. Kever highlighting, amongst other things, focused fundraising and community events, the parish building update, the diocesan strategic plan for regional model, communication, enrollment, professional development, and Catholic Schools Week. Ms. Kever discussed that with respect to focused fundraising and community events the school would like to focus solely on three major initiatives that bring in donor dollars: the auction, the fall fundraiser, and SCRIP. Ms. Kever discussed that the school would like to stay away from doing community events that cost money for various reasons. Discussion ensued. Ms. Kever next discussed enrollment and noted that enrollment is up about 2% from the previous year and the administration has set a goal of enrollment of 305 students in grades K-8 for the 2020-2021 school year. Ms. Kever noted that full enrollment would be 450 students in grades K-8. Ms. Kever also noted that retention from preschool to Kindergarten is about 70%, which is up from about 40% a couple of years ago. Discussion ensued.

D. Pastor's Report: Father Dave Fleming distributed materials to attendees regarding the revised master plan for the Parish renovations. Father Fleming discussed the revised master plan, including proposed renovations to the Parish Center and school, the cost of renovations, potential overlap of parish and school capital campaigns, and feedback from parishioners regarding the revised master plan. Father Fleming also discussed next steps in the planning process, including the upcoming meeting with Bishop Joensen to discuss the plan. Discussion ensued. Father Fleming discussed activities ongoing in the church during the month of January, noting that it has been a busy month.

VII. Unfinished/Ongoing Business

A. Spirit Wear

Ms. Kever noted that she and Mr. Baranosky had taken into consideration the potential for a licensing agreement for school spirit wear and decided not to move forward with any exclusive license agreement at this time. Ms. Kever discussed that the school is not willing to entertain a license agreement at this time because there is the long-term potential to revamp the school dress code in the future and they are concerned that if there is a license agreement in place, they would not be able to make any changes to the uniform due to that license agreement. Ms. Kever noted that there are no definite plans in place to revamp the dress code and it would be a months long process. Ms. Kever also noted that if individuals are concerned about the price of spirit wear that other options exist for purchasing spirit wear, including using Land's End to purchase spirit wear items. Discussion ensued.

VIII. New Business

A. Catholic Schools Week/Upcoming School Events

Ms. Kever and Mr. Baranosky discussed the upcoming Catholic Schools Week Catholic Schools Week events, including Mass and Open House on Sunday, January 26th and activities planned for students throughout the week. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Kever also discussed the upcoming pre-school and kindergarten information nights that will be held at the end of January.

VIII. Board Development/Goal Progress

A. 2019-2020 School Board Goals – Mr. Tyler discussed the fact that there are numerous committees throughout the school, between Home & School and the School Board there are over 25 committees for about 250 families. Mr. Tyler discussed condensing committees amongst the organizations. Ms. McCormick also discussed creating a volunteer coordinator position that will keep track of volunteers needed as many people are willing to help volunteer, they just do not want to be in charge. Mr. Tyler will work with Home & School on a plan to reduce redundancies. Ms. Sears also discussed making signing up for volunteer opportunities easier, many times it is people just asking others for help, if there was a portal to sign up or a SignUp Genius it seems to be easier for people to see opportunities available and sign up.

IX. Committee Questions & Discussion

A. Building and Grounds/Safety – Written report submitted.

- B. Finance Written report submitted.
- **C. Policy** No report submitted. Ms. Kever to review policies needing updates and provide that information on to policy committee.
- **D**. **Personnel** No report submitted.
- **E. Technology** Written report submitted.
- **F.** Community Input/Enrollment Management No report submitted.

X. Wrap Up: Agenda Items/Topics for December School Board Meeting

XI. Executive Session

There being no further regular business, Ms. Blakely made a motion to move into executive session. Mr. Tyler seconded, and the motion was passed with unanimous consent. The Board moved into executive session at 7:55 pm.

Ms. Blakely motioned to move back to regular session. Mr. Tyler seconded, and the motion was passed with unanimous consent.

XII. Adjournment

Ms. Blakely made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Tyler seconded, and the motion was passed with unanimous consent. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, February 6th Prayer: Mrs. Johnson Reports Due: Monday, February 3, 2020

Respectfully submitted by Maria Sears on January 18, 2020.