

## Assumption School Board of Education

### Board Notes

November, 11, 2024

Meeting called to order: 7:02 PM

1. Opening Prayer–All; A Board Member’s Prayer
2. Approved October minutes.
3. Report from Administration:  
Jamie Burbridge, Principal:
  - a. Updates–playground committee has met, moving forward with plans. It will be the three steps shared in the newsletter (i.e. EC playground, tree removal, etc). Some secured funding for that. Outdoor classroom–PTO has committed to this with a faith-based focus. Sport court will be final phase–fundraising planning in progress. All info to be shared out, updates when possible.
  - b. #igivecatholic–\$10K is goal, specific to the Early Childhood playground–Assumption designated date is Dec. 3rd.
  - c. Matt Collins–fall family music festival, 52 families attended and over \$1500 raised. Vinny Zwilling & Nick Lehman led & organized event; Men’s Club donated all the food.
  - d. P/T Conferences–went very well; in-person was all on Day 1 & virtual on Day 2. Middle school conferences to be restructured for next year for more opportunities for those families.
  - e. 4th-8th grade dealing with bully issues; zero tolerance & educating all parties are happening. Handbook–currently vague for bullying, threats & fights with offenses/consequences.
    - i. Mrs. Floretta–not only teaches Values & Virtues, she also does small groups and currently, a lot of 1:1 at this time.

Fr. Nick, Pastor:

- a. Attended a LGBTQ+ workshop with Mrs. Burbridge to discuss awareness, look at various guidelines/regulations and how to approach situations, how to respond, etc. During workshop, went to different sessions to hear from different speakers and case studies, etc. Goal is to become confident in all

settings for all situations going forward next year and to extend to the teachers, staff, families, etc.

- b. October–mass counts are back to where they were before Covid; 10:00am & 5:30pm are highest attended by school families. All data in last bulletin.

Holly Woytus, DRE:

- a. Sacramental formation & preparation happening.
  - i. First Reconciliation to happen Dec 4 & 7.
  - ii. Day school students that are non-Catholic are wanting to be part of everything; work in-progress. Some students have parents that are Catholic but have fallen to the wayside, conversations are with Fr. Nick. All situations are unique.
  - iii. Prayer services are being taken very seriously; lots of work going into this with all parties involved.
  - iv. November fundraiser started this week, majority of teachers are participating–will go towards hurricane relief.
  - v. Day school reconciliation will happen next week for grades 3-8; PSR, started last week for 6-8 and 3-5 for this week.
  - vi. JOY Club, attendance increased for second meeting–third meeting on Nov. 15, “You” will be the focus with fun games, etc.
  - vii. Veterans reception & prayer service will be the afternoon of Nov. 15.
  - viii. Christmas programs coming up for day school & PSR coming up; plans in progress.

#### 4. Old Business

- a. Lunch period duration–data being collected, currently sees the middle school is the issue but only on certain days (i.e. chicken rings).
- b. Milk expiration is a concern from families; Jamie Burbridge to look into communication with kitchen staff, company, and to teachers on how to respond to students.
- c. Grading scale–resources shared of comparison with breakdown (comparable to ICD & St. Joe’s Cottleville). Plans to make minor tweaks & will roll-out for 25-26 school year.
- d. Grade weighting–work in progress for rollout of the 25-26 school year; will vary by content area.

#### 5. New Business

- a. Middle School Planner–tabled for next meeting due to time.  
\*Cont deferred from October

6. Remarks for the good of all:
  - a. All Saints prayer service and parade over to the Sisters convent across the street with the OPD escort–hoping to make annual event–smiles all around!!
  
7. Closing Prayer - Veterans Prayer provided by Mike Duffy

End of meeting: 8:56 PM

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 9, 2024 at 7:00pm in the Meyer Room.