

Assumption School Board of Education

Board Notes

December 9, 2024

Meeting called to order: 7:03 PM

1. Opening Prayer–All; A Board Member’s Prayer
2. Budget Report - Kevin Ryam
 - a. Review of the 25-26 Budget. Kevin shared the review of changes from Draft 1 to Draft 2 approx. \$10K change in loss due to salary increases and \$25K loss of Boeing matching gifts contribution.
 - b. Review of the Parish Subsidy History–ABVM still considered in healthy standing.
 - c. Clarification of funds explained–fundraising of golf tourney & auction goes to the school funds and fundraising of the fall festival goes to the parish funds. Reports clarified how much the parish supports the school.
 - d. Potential registration plan for the 25-26 school year:
 - i. Early bird registration fee: \$225
 - ii. On-time registration fee: \$250
 - iii. Late registration fee: \$275*Communication from potential families planning to re-enroll is strongly encouraged for financial support and/or paperwork, as needed.
 - e. Potential plan for volunteer/activity fee per family of \$200 to happen for the 25-26 school year or to volunteer time of 8 hours (minimal compared to other schools which is typically 15 hours).
 - i. Lots of opportunities to volunteer will be shared prior & throughout the school year.
 - f. Reviewed the history of tuition increases within Assumption from SY 06-07 through SY 24-25 and additionally, looked at comparisons of Catholic School Costs in the different planning areas.
 - i. Clarification of tuition increases offsets the cost of salary increases–schools need to stay ahead of financial changes each year.
3. Approved November minutes.
4. Report from Administration:

Jamie Burbridge, Principal:

- a. SIP is being finalized; due on Jan. 14th—Admin will go down to the Archdiocese for meeting to submit. Visiting team will come on March 13th at 3:30pm in Hall C.
- b. #givecatholic was an exciting outcome; surpassed the goal of \$10K with \$11K+.
- c. Bullying—incidents have decreased in 6th grade; privileges have been returned. New friendships developed from lunch seat arrangements w/ 6th grade, etc.
- d. Working on enrollment and All Things Catholic & CSW for things to be ready to go. Jan 26th is open house for CSW.
- e. Milk—it was a delivery issue. Admin discussed with aides as needed about situations that occurred. ABVM was reimbursed for bad milk delivered.

Fr. Nick, Pastor:

- a. Update for phases of constructions will be released at open house in ABVM's Halls A & B, Dec. 16th from 4-6pm. Additional date/time held at City Hall on Dec. 17th at 5pm. City looking for feedback. City looking to start construction in Spring 2026. All members of the ABVM parish & school are strongly encouraged to attend/give feedback—our community most impacted by these upcoming changes.

Holly Woytus, DRE:

- a. PSR/Day school students received the sacrament of reconciliation along with the 2nd graders receiving their first conciliation.
- b. W.D. Williams school received fundraising from the Feathers for the Turkey event. Funds will go to Art therapy for trauma students.
- c. Jesse Tree is done each morning. Advent wreaths up & prayer tables are set for Advent.
- d. Abby Woytus is stepping in as the 5th grade Catechist for PSR class due to a teacher stepping back due to overcommitments.
- e. Fr. Olson visiting for Feast of Guadalupe from San Juan Diego parish.
- f. CSW will be similar structure to last year.

5. Old Business

- a. Lunch Period Duration (from September, ongoing review for 2025-2026)
- b. Grading Scale (from October, ongoing review for 2025-2026)
- c. Grade Weighting of Projects/Tests vs Homework Assignments (from October, ongoing review for 2025-2026)

6. New Business

- a. Middle School Planner (Chrome Book vs Paper)*Deferred from October and November--already planned to eliminate paper planners going forward for the SY 25-26; planners will be added to future school supply list as optional.
 - i. Communication of homework & upcoming tests/quizzed/projects still TBD and how, per grade level(s)/teacher(s).

7. Remarks for the good of all:

- a. Communication has been a huge improvement this year, especially in the middle school--families appreciate the newsletter, transparency, etc. Admin to share positive feedback with middle school team.
- b. Fr. Nick was a huge hit with St. Nick!
- c. Counselor played a huge role in the Duffy family accident prior to a school day recently; lots of support & follow up given.

8. Closing Prayer - Rachel Howard

End of meeting: 8:57 PM

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 13, 2024 at 7:00pm in the Meyer Room.