

Assumption School Board of Education

Board Notes

November 1, 2023

Meeting called to order: 7:02 PM

1. Opening Prayer--All; A Board Member's Prayer
2. Budget Report: Kevin Ryan
 - a. 21-22, grant of \$300K with money leftover due to Covid recovery.
 - b. The last few years, we've been negatively impacted financially.
 - c. A year ago, Archdiocese announced substantial raises for teachers--amount unknown then but ended up being \$5K across the board for all teachers.
 - d. In addition, tuition was increased last year by 10%--we still ended up negative, approx -\$258K after several items added in (i.e. securities, Eans, etc).
 - e. Various formulas shared to compare numbers of potential tuition increases based on current enrollments.
 - f. Dr. Hensley shared out that costs for textbooks/programs is TBD; trying to stay on cycles for content areas to be covered and avoid buying multiples within same fiscal year.
 - g. Kevin Ryan to return at a later date TBD to share an update; could be multiple visits.
3. October's meeting minutes approved.
4. No new items added to agenda
5. Report from Administration
 - a. Fr. Nick, Pastor:
 - i. Interviewing for a new principal--shared sample from Archdiocese website. Shared ideas of how to research what staff, families, etc are looking for. Additionally, shared ideas of qualifications we're looking for, etc. Also, looking for recommendations of who could make up the panel or who would be interested in being part of the panel.

- ii. Children's Liturgy of the Word is going fairly well; about 20 kids. Would love to see the program grow.
 - b. Dr. Hensley
 - i. Will be out for a knee replacement right after Thanksgiving through Christmas break; to return Jan 8th.
 - ii. Holly Woytus to help out; along with Jamie Burbridge—Fr. Nick if needed.
 - c. Holly Woytus out for daughter's induction to NHS at SDHS.
- 6. Old Business
 - a. Safety/Security at Children's Masses—this has been covered.
 - b. Review of Handbook/Policies—Committee Update
 - c. Home/School balance—amount of homework, where are we with the data collected? This is an ongoing topic to discuss.
 - i. Fr. Nick to prepare a survey for 5th-8th grade families to inquire about middle school homework, content of homework, prepping (what topics could be used for students/families entering the middle schools, etc); along with the timing of a meeting to be offered for everyone.
- 7. New Business
 - a. Addition of Spanish added for Upper Grades—Questions/Concerns
 - i. Spanish will continue to be a letter/percent grade but not count towards students' GPA.
 - ii. Parents should communicate concerns with teachers.
- 8. Remarks for the good of all
 - a. Brandon shared that all of the conversations were great.
 - b. Veterans Day was wonderful—KSDK did a fantastic coverage.
 - c. 3rd grade field trip was amazing—first field trip ever.
 - d. So many soccer/volleyball teams advancing for city/county!
- 9. Closing Prayer - Jake Madden

End of meeting: 9:07pm

Next meeting scheduled for Monday, December 11, 2023 at 7:00pm in the Meyer Room.