

Assumption School Board Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2020

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Start Time: 7:01 pm

Opening Prayer: Cindy Swain

Attendance: Father Nick, Dr. Hensley, Melinda Kruper, Amy Chitwood, Greg Bergner, Cindy Swain, Carrie Hopkins, Jeni Willis, Debbie Gentry, Katie Compardo, Hollie Sicking, Michelle Minnini, Danielle Lifritz

- Vote to approve January meeting minutes – Approved
- Last call to add new business minutes – None

Report from Administration

- Father Nick
 - Tuition for coming year has been published and registration has begun
 - Concerns have been raised with tuition increase, consistent increases, and rate of increase
 - Primary influences in tuition
 - Personnel – cost of salary and benefits
 - Number of students (determines number of classes, teachers, if aide is needed, etc.)
 - Currently, enrollment for 20-21 is near the healthiest number we could have (K-8)
 - Tuition for Montessori has been adjusted so that it is able to support itself and not require subsidies
 - The increased tuition rates were given to Montessori families – responses did not indicate a sufficient number that could return; therefore, the Montessori program will end at end of the year
 - Key aspect for future
 - Keeping enrollment up
 - Being aware of class sizes in specific grades for optimization
 - Hopefully we will be able to increase subsidy from parish
 - Consider what program improvement we may want/need
 - Other Numbers of interest
 - For 20-21 cost per student budgeted - \$5,722
 - After adding building & equipment depreciation, per-student budget increases to \$6,198
- Dr. Hensley
 - Looks like 20-21 school budget will be improved from what was anticipated
 - Previously, supplies were purchased through Staples, this year approximately \$25,000 will be saved by using different vendors for classroom supplies
 - Changes have been made with faculty/staff and tuition breaks
 - Contracts for teachers will be out by March with two-week time to return them
 - Marketing committee updates
 - The focus this year has been on numbers for enrollment
 - Would like to see more enrollment from preschool children into the K-8 program
 - A survey was sent to Pre-K4 families because historically, about 50% leave and 50% stay
 - Enrollment for students who are re-registering for the 20-21 school year
 - Deadline has been moved from end of March to end of February
 - Dr. Hensley has been putting items of interest regarding the school in Sunday bulletin for parishioners
 - The deadline for the Today and Tomorrow Educational Foundation is 02/28/20
- Melinda

- All are welcome and encouraged to go to the Stewardship/Leadership Retreat on 02/28-02/29
- Grandparents Day is approaching (4/3/20)
- Stations of the Cross and Lenten opportunities will be shared in the bulletin
- **Remarks for good of all**
 - Positive remarks for parish mission
 - Last two weekends at mass, attendance appeared to be increase at a glance

REMINDER – moving March meeting to Tuesday, March 3 due to Spring Break

Closing Prayer: Hollie Sicking

End Time: 8:00 pm