

# Education Advisory Committee Meeting

January 14, 2020

## APPROVED

Fr. John Lantsberger, Mr. Michel, Mrs. Kallhoff, Sandy Bauer, Adam Heinitz, Danny Geraets, Tami Schwebach, and Jacque Brown were present.

Meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm with Father John leading us in prayer.

Previous meetings minutes were reviewed.

Danny motioned and Sandy seconded to approve previous meeting minutes. All voting aye, motion passed.

## Administrative Report

### Upcoming Assemblies/Events

- Catholic Schools Week: January 26-February 1.
  - All-School Mass is a 10 AM Tuesday morning with parent lunch to follow.
  - CSW Committee has lots of activities planned, thank you to the committee for their work!
- March 4<sup>th</sup>: Angela Kennecke with KELO TV will be talking to our students about opioid/drug use and sharing the story of her daughter's drug overdose. Parent presentation will be a that night as well.

### School Improvements

- Boiler has been having issues these past couple days. We think we have the issues all figured out and the parts ordered to repair and keep things running. Monday was a bit chilly, Tuesday has been much more comfortable. Hoping by Wednesday to be back up to normal.
- Catholic Order of Foresters will be dedicating their breakfast money towards the purchase of a Clorox 360 machine. This is an electro-static machine that can be used to disinfect an entire classroom in minutes.
- Booster Club decided to put breakfast funds towards future football field plans. Discussion held at meeting about doing work at Rickeman Field or looking long-term to move across the street to our current practice facility. Overwhelming support was to start to look at current practice facility as the future home for St. Mary Football.

### Lunch Report

- Weekly e-mails regarding balances below -\$50 seem to be having a positive impact. Our balance is much stronger than last year.
- We are having issues with Google Pay so we have had to temporarily suspend receiving payments that way. This has also been beneficial in keeping our lunch account balance strong so we are looking to move quickly to get something in place for online payments. Goal is to keep it free to parents and school.

### Testing

- As previously discussed, we have decided to move our standardized testing window to the spring. Planned dates for the spring testing window are April 27-28-29. New materials being purchased to accommodate this change.

### Activities/Bussing

- Due to spacing constraints, we will not be traveling cheerleaders for road doubleheaders for the remainder of this season and the foreseeable future. When we have full boys and girl's teams, sending cheerleaders would put us over capacity on the bus.

### Specialty Day

- January 8<sup>th</sup> was Specialty Day for grades JC-6<sup>th</sup>. The following sessions were available for students: Homemade playdough, Concrete Construction, Sock Snowman making, Basketball, Pet Care, Camping 101, Cake Decorating, String Art, Yoga, Pizza Time, and Outdoor Campus (for JC/Kind/1<sup>st</sup>). Thank you to the SFO committee for organizing this great event!

### MS/HS

- Waiver approved for JH students to receive credits for band/choir.
- Wrestling Co-op \$500/kid. \$250 flat rate to hold spot for season with no SM wrestlers.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Please visit [http://www.drstmary.org/Calendars/calendar/Monthly\\_Calendars.html](http://www.drstmary.org/Calendars/calendar/Monthly_Calendars.html)

## **Committee Reports**

### Marketing/Retention

- Ad put in Dells City Journal and The Shopper for the week of January 22<sup>nd</sup>. The following week will just be in The Shopper.
- January 29<sup>th</sup> is the Teacher Appreciation Meal.

### Finance

- Lunch accounts doing much better than last year.
- Everything tracking well.
- Church will not be giving subsidy for the month of January and possibly February due to low church checking balance.

### Policy/Curriculum

- Missing work policy needs to be put in the handbook for next year.
- Discussion held on what to do about students who are not getting their work in and are not involved in activities. "Study tables" at lunch for missing work for everyone is an option.

### Facilities

- Boiler having issues.
- Cold gym.

### **Old Business**

- 3rd reading of Contract Renewal Policy. Changes need to be made. Will have 4<sup>th</sup> reading at next meeting.

Next meeting will be February 11, 2020 at 4:00 pm in the rectory conference room.

Father John led us in a closing prayer.

Sandy motioned and Tami seconded to adjourn meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:11 pm.