

Education Advisory Committee Meeting

January 13, 2021

UNAPPROVED

Father Stevens, Mr. Michel, Mrs. Kallhoff, Adam Heinitz, Danny Geraets, Tami Schwebach, Sandy Bauer and Karey Klein were present.

Adam Heinitz called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm with Father Stevens leading us in prayer.

Previous meetings minutes were reviewed.

Danny motioned and Karey seconded to approve December meeting minutes. All voting aye, motion passed.

Administrative Report

*We are looking into having Intek in to clean venting in the gym. Need to determine if floor can handle the weight of the lift needed.

*Mr. Michel is looking into the Build Your Base program sponsored by the SD Beef Growers.

* As a follow up to previous meeting, Mr. Michel has been in touch with the Garretson School District in regard to the Soccer Co-op. This co-op is currently Garretson and Dells Pub, but they are open to adding St. Mary students. The cost of the program this year was \$8464. The cost is split based on the number of players. All parties agree that a decision by April 1st is ideal.

* There have been some challenges with the current Library Management System. We will review a new vendor that can provide cloud storage. The new vendor will include a start up cost, but annual rates are lower.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Please visit http://www.drstmary.org/Calendars/calendar/Monthly_Calendars.html

Old Business

- None

Committee Reports

Marketing & Retention: Catholic Schools Week ad will be placed in the paper. Dell City Journal is willing to do a spread.

Finance: Finances for this fiscal year remain on track. Budget decisions for next school year will begin to take place in the months ahead.

Policy & Curriculum: Father, Casey and Deb will work Policy committee to make updates to the underage consumption policy. First read will take place at a future meeting.

Facilities: Father met with architects once again and had a productive two hour meeting. Topics included phase 2 location options, timelines, and next steps. An important step going forward will be the formation of a smaller sub-committee. This group will assist in planning communication, identifying key stakeholders and potential donors,

New Business

- **Phase 1 Building, update:** Update in during facilities section provided full summary. Current cost estimate of Phase 1 of the project is around \$7M .
- **Campus Wide Tech, update, staffing, and maintenance:** Brian Gaspar and Mike Pica are collaborating to make some updates to current IT infrastructure. We may want to retain an IT company partner as our needs continue to expand.
- **Music/Drama Department; Staffing and Curriculum:** Additional staffing in the performing arts is under consideration. A potential shared position with the parish could provide support for Mrs. Smith as well as music support for the parish.
- **PPP Round 2?:** A bank did reach out regarding round two PPP funds. We are reviewing the parameters and will decide if the obligations tied to funding make this a wise decision.
- **Covid 19 Vaccinations:** We expect educational staff will soon have the opportunity for vaccinations. This will be encouraged, not mandated. Bishop DeGrood has confirmed that these vaccinations can be taken and are morally sound.
- **Communication regarding travel to and from games for junior high students/parents:** There has been some concern from parents regarding pick up and drop off of students for junior high games. Establishing standard protocols would be helpful. For example, should students always be returned to school after the contest, or is it the obligation of parent drivers to deliver each player to their home?

Closing Prayer

Executive Session

Next meeting will be Wednesday February 10th at 4:00 PM .

Tami motioned and Karey seconded to adjourn meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.