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School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 12th, 2021 @ 6:00pm - Parish Center

- I. **Opening Prayer** – Abby Martin
- II. **Action on Minutes** of April 14th
 - a. Brandon motioned to approve
 - b. David provided second
 - c. Minutes were approved as published
- III. **Good of the Parish**
 - a. COVID 19 Vaccination Saturday Hoying Gym. 8-12
 - b. SAC invited to Confirmation on Sunday @ 2pm
 - c. Many families still need to set up appointments to meet with the priests, volunteers calling to remind
 - d. Feedback from last night's meeting
 - i. Great to hear from the leadership, though much was review
 - ii. Good pace, appreciated having the Diocese team on site
 - iii. Would be nice to have this right after new members join
 1. Could Dr. Vader or Father run through this with new members before their first meeting?
 - e. RCIA starting first Thurs of June
 - f. Vinney and Gremmy go on vacation – similar to Flat Stanley
 - g. Father will be looking for feedback on a variety of topics over the summer to be discussed further at future meetings
 - h. Looking for input on what to focus on for Catholic identity for next school year
 - i. Expect a more in-depth report next month on Comprehensive Youth Ministry
 - j. Discussed school Mass times, pros and cons of all school vs HS/elementary vs 4 different Masses. Also discussed Mass buddies.
- IV. **Athletic Report**
 - a. Academic Probation Policy
 - i. Current policy: mid-quarter/quarter grade checks for athletes in JH/HS. If a student has 2 F's they can't participate in games. Administration has a desire to move to something with more frequent check-ins. With 1, they are still allowed to play. Another conference school has weekly grade checks, with a first offense being probation, tutoring is a required step.
 - ii. Discussed additional considerations such as a progressive system.
 - iii. SAC is favor of additional stringency, cautioning administration to be thoughtful of the amount administrative work involved



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V. Finance Director Report

- a. Budget update – reviewed reports
- b. Gifts for bathroom remodel, \$5,000 in April
- c. Gifts from Foundation expected in June
- d. Awarded \$245k in EANS grant, working on allocating. Applied for this as we were not eligible for PPP round 2.
 - i. Need cash to outlay for the grant, then its reimbursed
- e. 3 payroll cycles in April
- f. Gas bill discussed in last meeting is still due, same amount. Father is discussing this. Have the option to extend interest-free payments for 6 months in May
- g. Expect to finish in June with revenues greater than expenses
- h. 2021-22 Budget highlights (reviewed handout)
 - i. Utilities budgeting increasing
 - ii. SAC requested to view last school year actual for future budget proposals
- i. Reviewed school dashboard handout

VI. Principals' Reports

- a. Principal's Report (Mrs. Martin)
 - i. COVID report
 1. Mask policy continuing through end of school year at Diocese guidance.
 - a. This enables not limiting crowd sizes for year-end celebrations
 - i. SAC encouraged communication of this aspect that masks benefit
 - ii. Upcoming Events
 1. Field day, working on spreading out
 2. Baccalaureate and various graduations upcoming
 - iii. 2021-2022 Staffing
 1. All positions filled except Spanish
 2. Jose Maria Gonzalez and his wife are relocating from Iowa
 3. 2 new elementary teachers, one replacing Mrs. Tucker and another to add a 2nd section of 2nd grade
 4. Nancy Manning working in office, will spend 1 hour per day teaching an elective

VII. Old Business

- a. Annual Parent Satisfaction Survey
 - i. SAC recommended removing of the question regarding satisfaction from distance learning
 - ii. SAC also recommended looking into the ability to have the questions expand based on the number of students (effectively 1 survey per student)
 - iii. SAC recommended removing the question about sufficient parent involvement opportunities for this year as parents were not allowed in



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- iv. SAC also recommended considering tracking categories of respondents by time at school and watching new family responses closely for the “do I feel welcomed” question.
- b. Dress Code
 - i. High school only maintaining Navy color
 - ii. Hoodies not allowed next year
 - iii. Will focus on enforcement. Fines in JH/HS. In elementary, focus on teaching kids and parents.
- c. Election of New Members
 - i. Bob collected names, passed to Father, who provided a final list for Bob to contact. A final list will be shared.
- d. State Fair Grandstand Fund/Fundraising
 - i. Look at further organizing this at the next meeting
- e. New family mentors/welcome signs
 - i. Jared is working on this.

VIII. New Business

- a. Mrs. Martin started training for Retrieving Freedom, service dog training for kids with autism and veterans, first visit in school today. Will enable pickup of a dog for the day, have a socialization opportunity with the dogs which also supports their training.
- b. Begin thinking about new leadership in SAC. New members join in June.

IX. Next Meeting Date - Wednesday, June 9th @ 6pm (Parish Center)

X. Closing Prayer –

XI. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm

XII. Executive Session