

ST. JOHN BOSCO CATHOLIC SCHOOL
SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, August 27, 2024

Time: 6pm – 7:00pm

Location: Priest Sacristy – St. Benedict Catholic Church

Voting Board Members:

Marianne Biegler (MB), President, Chair
Cindy Casaus (CC), Vice President
Chad Stallings (CS)
Erin Gonzales (EG)
John Naset (JN)
Laura Underwood (LU)
Marc Rivas (MR)
Maryola Fabilena (MF)
Moti Salloum (MS)

Ex-officio Non-Voting Board Members:

Fr. James Aboyi (JA), Pastoral Administrator
Jamie Bescak (JB), Principal, Administrative Officer
Rachel Barone (RB), Faculty Representative
Hogan Macdonald, STREAM Teacher/IT Director
Marilyn Johnston (MJ) Parish Council Representative
Krissey Bileski (KB) Preschool Director (**excused**)

Opening Prayer & Reflection

Given by RB

Roll Call

Roll call by Acting Secretary Laura Underwood.
9 voting members present. Quorum established.

Call to Order & Welcome

Meeting Called to Order at 6:05 pm by President, Marianne Biegler.

Review Discussion Items from Last Meeting

MB shared a confidentiality agreement would be sent to all board members for signature

Best of the Valley

Cindy Casaus (CC) - voting starts May 1 - 19 and winners announced in the Summer issue of Phoenix Magazine. Summit placed 1st last year out of 7 schools. Nominations happen in February before it goes to public. We will advertise in the bulletin and Bulldog Bite. Voting will be around the same time as AFN. Need to make it easy for people to vote. Erin Gonzales has contact info for Best of the Valley. CC motioned to make this responsibility of the board. Seconded by Chad Stallings. Motion passed.

Parish Assignments

Confirmed Chad Stallings and Marc Rivas - St Andrews and John Naset will join Maryola at Mary Magdalene. Laura Underwood will set up a Google Doc for Mass times to attend Mass monthly. The parish box will contain a tablecloth, flyers about SJB, baggie of balloons, balloon sticks from Walmart, business cards, ESA flyers. November and January sign up genius goes out for ambassadors to sign up to attend mass with board members.

Nov 9 and 10 board members to attend Mass at parish assignment to promote November 11, Open House.

Jan 25 and 26 board members to attend Mass at parish assignment to promote Catholic Schools Week the following week.

When board attends Mass aside from Open House and Catholic Schools Week promotions, you bring your child in uniform

Principal's Report

Strategic Plan - Jamie Bescak asks for feedback on the Strategic Plan. No one had any feedback. Moti Salloum asked about plans to build a gym. JB stated we need a donor for the gym. There are plans in place but we need funding. The Facility Plan will be presented at year end. Jamie Bescak and Fr James have met with the Diocese. We did receive a \$300k donation that could be put towards a gym and building of extra classrooms.

Donations - We want to shift how we ask parents for donations. We did away with SCRIP and now focus on fundraising for 3 main events (Gala, Running with Rosco and Golf Tournament). Gala sold out a month in advance. Discussed having a title sponsor for all 3 events and what that might look like. Jamie Bescak confirmed she secured a title sponsor for all 3 events for \$20k. This will be communicated in Principal's Message on Friday.

Gala - Goal is to raise \$120k. We already have \$40k secured before Gala with raffle tickets and sponsorships.

Parking - Reserved parking for the teachers. Possibly making the little section in north lot for reserved teacher parking to keep the traffic flow moving. Also making spaces in the back reserved. Discussed options around this and thoughts from Board. Will discuss again at next meeting. We cannot currently park in gravel around the church because City does not allow due to retention basis.

Facilities - Gate was completed. Sep 9 and 10 shade structures will be put in over the playground. Playground will be shut down for 2 days but recess will still happen on those days. We lost 8 trees in big storm. We had trees trimmed over summer which prevented the trees from doing damage to the school building. Landscaping company did a great job and cleaned up most of the mess before school started. We are keeping up with the maintenance of school. New umbrellas were purchased for tables outside. All classrooms got new lights (40 lights). Still maintaining a/c units. We have 19 more units to replace completely.

Pastor's Report

Opening Mass went well with Eucharistic procession around the church. We are starting out the

school year very peacefully.

Fr James has hired someone for youth ministry. She will start Friday, Aug 30th pending paperwork. She will handle youth and campus ministry. She has a degree in theology.

Fr James discussed joint celebration with St Benedict and SJB Harvest Fest.

Jamie Bescak, Hogan Macdonald and Krissy Biliski were all added to parish website for continuity.

RE will be starting Sep 10 along with adult formation classes

Virtual tour of the church is in the works. Waiting on gift shop before publishing to community. Also looking at doing this for the school.

Closing Prayer

Closing prayer given by RB.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by MB at 7:09pm.