



SACRED HEART
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

SAC Minutes

10/20/2021

Marion Rooms

SAC Members Present: Molly McGraw Healy, Reedus Berry, ~~Katherine King~~, Megan Antoine, Amy Satterfield, ~~Alicia Nordstrom~~, Rebecca Lahr, ~~Kevin Dempsey~~, Margaret Anderson, Katherine Johnson

Ex Officio Members Present: Karen Bursey, Mary Daugherty, ~~Fr. Pedersen~~

Convened at 6:05pm

Opening prayer led by Reedus

Approval of minutes from 9/15/2021

Minutes were reviewed, motion made and seconded. Minutes approved.

Principal's report

Open positions

Principal is currently filling the vacant middle school language arts position. The school is also in need of a long-term substitute teacher in kindergarten.

Marathon Update

Over \$33,000 has been collected, so the school is nearing its goal. The school will follow up with those who have not yet contributed. SAC discussed Pledgestar and how folks contributed, understood what fees were being charged. Direct contributions to the school are always welcome if online portal is a challenge.

Tree Lighting

Tree lighting will take place in Early December on a school night. Fire department is not able to help with lights this year.

Starting tours for 2022-2023

Several tours for the coming year have been given already.

ECF funding

ECF funding for schools available for personal devices (ie: iPads, laptops).

- SHCS will be getting 30 new iPads and 50 more Chromebooks
- \$23,000 of funding received in round 1
- Applying for round 2 funding which will be used for 10 teacher laptops if received

Transportation

Bussing continues to be a challenge. Parents will theoretically be receiving reimbursement checks from the district and should watch their mail. SAC discussed need for additional assistance for students crossing from parking lot to school.

Coffee/Donut Service at Church

Coffee and doughnuts are served at church on 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. CCW used to handle it, extra sets of hands are needed post-Covid.

- SAC may wish to pick a day to help
- Arrive about 7:30 to make coffee, goes through 10:00am mass, cleanup usually takes until roughly 11:30am.
- Ms. Burse will put the dates on SignUp.

Outdoor Classroom Update

White board in outdoor classroom is installed and looks great! A parishioner assisted in the production and students helped create the design.

Financials/Budget

- Search for bookkeeper in Parish Office continues.
- Finance Council meeting Tuesday 10/26/21.
- First Quarter of the school year is on track, running below budgeted loss.
- Financials will be shared with department leads after they are compiled for finance committee.
- Most families are up to date on their tuition/fees.
- Gratitude expressed for retired-accountant parishioner who has been assisting with reconciling year-end 2021.
- Parish is currently behind on collections.

Covid Testing for Staff/Students

- Covid testing is available via nasal swab and results are available in 15-30 minutes. The school also has saliva tests that can be sent home.
- SAC discussed the school's current mask policy and encouraged staying the course and not relaxing masking requirements currently in place.
- Christmas concert is going to happen, masking/distancing requirements will be determined by mid-November. Will have band and orchestra.

Book Review Policy

SAC liked Principal revisions to policy and encouraged adoption of SPPS form with maintenance of narrative question format. Ms. Burse will modify the SPPS form adding the 'action requested' section and 'do you wish to recommend an alternative? If so, what?' questions.

Athletic Committee

The new athletic committee will help create a policy for tryouts.

- The purpose is not to cut students but to check on level of ability and divide into varsity and JV teams where appropriate.
- Discussion of what should be on sign-up vs. not. Suggestion that signup could be used to create an 'alert' list of willing volunteers for concession stand, line-judging, and other timely athletics opportunities.

Teacher Survey

Teacher survey was administered, results will be brought to November or December SAC meeting.

New Business

Playground committee has two members so far, will be a significant effort as committee needs to be a combined effort looking at the overall vision of how space will be utilized. House(s) behind the parking lot have been purchased.

2021-22 Tuition setting will take place soon. Rebecca will look at tuition for St. Raphael, St. Vincent, St. Alphonsus, Good Shepherd, St. Stephens, Maranatha for comparison purposes.

Closing Prayer