



# Ludington Area Catholic School Home and School Association

Minutes of Meeting  
Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Colleen Unsal, Collin Thompson, Jo Kalchik, Andria Beaushaw, Rob Lloyd, April O'Brien, Deni Killips, Joy Reisterer, Jim Scatena

- I. Call to order, opening prayer, presentation of agenda.
- II. Special Guest: Jim Scatena, LAC Board of Education Chair came in to share vision and successes about the school.
- III. Secretary's report: The Minutes of November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 were read and Motioned on December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 by Andria Beaushaw and Seconded by Colleen Unsal. Due to vacation, minutes will be take by Joy Reisterer at our January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 meeting.
- IV. Treasurer's report: We currently have approximately \$3,800 in expenses. Totals will be ongoing as the financial year goes.
- V. Teacher Report: No report to share.
- VI. Principal's report:
  - a. The students did a wonderful job at the Christmas Program. I want to thank Mrs. Brown, Miss Fran and all the teachers who helped to make the program so special.
  - b. Project updates:
    - New VoIP telephone system has been installed.
    - LED light project continues and nearing completion.
    - The Building & Grounds Committee continues to monitor and make adjustments to help improve and regulate the temperature in the school.
    - The whiteboards have been ordered. We had three contractors look at the installation of the white board & projectors and two have submitted quotes. We are waiting for the third contractor to submit his quote before we make a decision on installation.
    - Purchasing iPads for students is underway.
  - c. Exploring the possibility of adding all day preschool and all day childcare.
  - d. I would like to establish a Parent Ambassador program and identify several parents who can help assist new families at LAC and also assist potential new families to our school. The Home & School Association can play a vital role in this program.
  - e. Over 100 people have completed the Strategic Planning Survey for Ludington Area Catholic School. If you haven't yet had a chance to complete the survey, it will remain open until December 30. Paper copies can be found at the back of church or you can complete it on-line at <http://bit.ly/LACstrategic>. In order for our community to continue to have input on the strategic plan, we are hosting a meeting on **January 9, 2020 from 4:30 - 7:30 pm** at Ludington Area Catholic School. Light refreshments will be provided. This meeting will allow for open conversation to continue to gather insights for our strategic plan. Whether you filled out the survey or not, you are welcome to attend. The content of the meeting will go beyond the information gathered from the survey. If you are able to join us for the January 9th meeting, please RSVP to Kathy Surd ([ksurd@lacschool.net](mailto:ksurd@lacschool.net)), Strategic Planning Chairperson, by January 5, 2020.

Upcoming events:	
Wednesday, December 18	Visions meeting at 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 19	Santa visiting LAC (preschool) Student in grades 3-7 Christmas Caroling at nursing homes form 12-2
Friday, December 20	Santa visiting LAC Birthday Party for Jesus at 2:30 p.m. in the gym. Christmas Break begins at the end of the school day.
Monday, January 6	School resumes
Tuesday, January 7	Board of Education meeting at 7:00 p.m. Building & Grounds meeting at 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, January 9	Strategic Planning Meeting from 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Friday, January 10	Fit Club
Monday, January 13	Wellness Assembly starting at 1:00 p.m. First Reconciliation Parent & Child Formation from 6:15 – 7:30 p.m.
Monday, January 20	No school. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Tuesday, January 21	Home and School meeting at 5:00 p.m. Foundation meeting at 7:30 p.m.

VII. Old Business:

- a. St. Nicholas Visit: Treats went over well and the event was enjoyed by all.
- b. White Boards: Refer to Principals report.
- c. Wreath Sale: Suggestion to offer wreath sales to the Towers and Retirement Villages next year.

VIII. New Business:

- a. Santa Visits: The gift card has been purchased. Candy has been purchased.
- b. Birthday Party for Jesus: Friday December 20. Cakes have been ordered for the Pre-school classes and will be picked up by Andria Beaushaw on Thursday. Large cake will be picked up by Joy Reisterer on Friday she will help serve at 2:30 p.m. on Friday.
- c. Catholic Schools Week: Sunday, January 26-Saturday, February 1, 2020.
- d. Pizza, salad and dessert will be served on Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> during the STEM Showcase event.
- e. Volunteering requirements: We have been reviewing what other similar schools policies and aims are. We will come up with a proposal to present to the Board of Education during February. Bring initial ideas and suggestions to our January meeting.
- f. LAC Fundraisers: The school will look into analyzing the fundraisers that we currently have and discuss how to maximize our manpower and output, encompassing community service, family and student servitude .
- g. Family Night Ideas: Game Night, ideas to be shared at our January meeting.
- h. ACES, Trauma/resiliency training: Rob Lloyd shared that he has contacted Ellen Plumber and she is available.

Adjourned at 6:05 p.m. Next meeting: Tuesday, January 20th, 2019, 5:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose room.

*12/20/2019: Motioned to Approve Minutes by Joy Reisterer, Seconded by Andria Beaushaw.*