



# Ludington Area Catholic School Home and School Association

Minutes of Meeting  
Tuesday, January 21 at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Colleen Unsal, Collin Thompson, Andria Beaushaw, April O'Brien, Deni Killips, Joy Reisterer, Tiffany Urka, Melanie Eberbach, Liz Allard, Kara Kriesel

- I. Call to order, opening prayer, presentation of agenda.
- II. Secretary's report: The Minutes of December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 were read and Motioned on December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 by Joy Reisterer and Seconded by Andria Beaushaw.
- III. Treasurer's report: YTD ~\$9000 in expenses
- IV. Teacher Report: Valentine's Day Party 4-7<sup>th</sup> in gym, k-3 in family center; supplies to be covered under hospitality budget: plates/napkins/cups, prizes.
- V. Principal's report:

Catholic School's Week begins next week (Jan. 26-Feb. 1). The schedule of activities was sent home last week. Students will be the proclaimers, commentators, gift bearers and greeters at all three Masses this weekend.

1. The white boards have been installed in all the classrooms. Three new projectors were purchased. Every classroom now has a ceiling mounted projector.
2. We will purchase new iPads for students in preschool through second grade and the STEM lab. The iPads should be in use before the end of February.
3. As I mentioned last month, with the help of the Home & School Association, I would like to establish a Parent Ambassador program for the upcoming school year.
4. Ludington Area Catholic School's 2020-2021 school calendar has been approved by the Diocese. The first day of school will be Wednesday, August 26, 2020 and the last day on Wednesday, June 9, 2021. This calendar complies with Diocesan requirements and allows our Christmas and Spring Break schedules to align with the other schools in our area. Our first day of school will be earlier than the public schools.
5. LAC and Manistee Catholic Central are working a few joint marketing efforts. The two schools will share a billboard located .4 mile south of the US 10/31 stoplight. We are currently looking at other potential opportunities that will benefit both schools.
6. We are currently working on our Lenten Project which will begin on Ash Wednesday (February 26). Our theme is "Kids Helping Kids." We will collect items to help three local organizations who help children in our area. The first is 14.18 Alliance (foster care support). We will collect gently used suitcases that this organization will give to children in foster care. Currently, many foster care students have to put their clothing and personal items in a trash bag when they move from one foster home to another. This sends the wrong psychological message to the children that their possessions, or even themselves, are trash. The second is Ludington Cares. We will collect

personal care items to be placed in the Ludington Care's boxes around town to help families in need. The third organization we will help is Lakeshore Food 4 Kids. This organization packages food for students in need and sends the food home with the students over the weekend so they have food to eat. We will collect specific food items for this group. In addition, we will have our annual Kids-N-Cops Dodgeball for a Cause on Tuesday, March 10. The monetary proceeds from this game will go to Lakeshore Food 4 Kids. Once we finalize the details, we will work with the organizations to promote our project and start collecting items.

VI. Old Business:

- a. Santa Visits: all went well
- b. Birthday Party for Jesus: all went well
- c. White Boards: completed w/ mounted overhead projectors

VII. New Business:

- 1) Catholic Schools Week: pizza/salad/sherbet dinner on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>; free will offering; Kara will share info w/ St. Marys (Custer); Joy to do sign up genius; volunteers needed for various shifts, including cashier (2/diocesan rules)
- 2) Volunteer Requirements: School Board looking for recommendations on how to administer; reviewing what similar schools use; Colleen to send out Survey Monkey to those present
- 3) Fish Fry: begins Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>; leads for all areas determined and will be noted on sign ups; over 100 volunteers needed each week, initial paper sign up will be sent out w/sign up genius to follow; fish fry meeting Tuesday, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> @5pm
- 4) Family Game Night: Friday, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>; full details to follow Feb. H&S meeting

Adjourned at 6:00 p.m. Next meeting: Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 5:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose room.

*1/29/2020: Motioned to Approve Minutes by Andria Beaushaw, Seconded by Tiffany Urka.*