

**Holy Trinity Catholic School
School Board Minutes
September 4, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by School Board President Shawn Hennon, followed by a reading of the Mission Statement and an opening prayer.

Members Present: Sara Balsitis, Mallory Bundt, Kristy Frawley, Julie Gilliland, Shawn Hennon, Waide Miller, Fr. Jim Nall, I.J. Siekmann, Mia Wallace

Ex-Officio Members: Renee Sherfy, Frank Kurtz

Guests: Bob Wojcik, Erica Griesbaum

Teacher update:

- Mrs. Griesbaum, our new upper grades Math & Algebra teacher, gave an overview of her background and the areas she has been covering with students this first quarter including Prodegy – an online math game that the students can play with each other.

NEW BUSINESS

- Budget and Finance Report: Bob Wojcik reviewed the latest finance report
- Fr. Jim gave a Pastor's report:
 - He is pleased with how the school year has started out
 - He enjoyed how the Parishioners welcomed students on the first day
 - 3rd Sunday of the month will be Youth Ministry at 10:30 Mass
 - The Parish will be hosting another Spooktacular this year in the Parish Center on 10/27
 - He appreciates the great School Spirit he sees in the building
- HT Ministry Fair was discussed, including SB members to staff a table at the Fair after all Masses the weekend of Oct. 20-21.
- Althoff is going to do a recruitment video for us at no cost. Suggested items to include that make HT stand out were:
 - Options for class electives
 - Modern facilities
 - Awesome community
 - STEM including new Solar Panels planned for the school building
 - Catholic Identity
 - PreK is housed in our building and incorporated into the facilities

OLD BUSINESS

- Two Promethean Boards have been ordered, but we have no ship date.

Committee Reports

- Athletic Association:
 - TJ's Pizza Fundraiser will begin in October. That and the signboard will be the only 2 fundraisers for AA this year.

- Parents and Friends had their first meeting on 9/5. They will also be limiting their fundraising this year. They are looking for a chairperson for Trunk or Treat.
- Education: Our Textbooks are paid off. Discussed how we stay current going forward? It was suggested that some of the other very old textbooks may need to be replaced soon – going to online only textbooks was an option we will review further in the future.
- Advancement:
 - The Advancement committee is finalizing some parent only events
 - Spirit Wear is going well, there will be socks for sale in the office at all times
 - 68 families were in attendance for Parent-Teacher night, very well received Amazon Smile and Schnucks Rewards should increase now that more families are using.
 - Discussion of religious affiliation data that was returned with registration: paperwork indicate 82% Catholic, 18% non-Catholic, and 50% of the Catholic families indicated they were Holy Trinity parish members.
 - Annual Fund kickoff date will be around November 1st.
- Facilities:
 - Solar panels on the school building are a go, and will now be \$0 out-of-pocket. The contract will begin after 1/1/19 and then it will be 60-90 days until install.
- Faith Formation:
 - Altar Servers will be trained by Deacon Art during school hours starting 9/14.
 - Mallory came up with some ideas to incorporate Catholic Faith in the classrooms.
 - The Children's Choir needs more membership. We discussed ways to incentivize joining the choir including possibly a spirit wear shirt for choir.
- Technology:
 - eRate funds were received from last year to offset some of the technology purchases. We have requested eRate supplement this year for additional access points in the west hallway where they are lacking.
- Principal's Report:
 - Principal evaluations are due in early 2019.
 - Titan Trot and Parish Picnic need additional volunteers, please give of your time.
 - Aims Web is a good way to benchmark students, but is very hard to administrate.
 - 7th and 8th grade classes will visit Althoff for the day.
 - Discussions on how to make the pickup process safer for everyone. A decision was made to move to a pickup line along the sidewalk for car pickups, and if you want to park and walk up you must use the crosswalk near the school.
 - Check Krista's planner for daily updates; all meetings and events included there.
 - Fast Direct is working well, teachers will be reminded to use it more often.
 - Printers stop working and we have to call CompuType to restart the server from there. Very time consuming and frustrating.

A motion to adjourn was passed and a closing prayer was offered by Fr. Jim.

**Next Meeting:
October 9th at 6:30pm**