



St. Bede School Board

Meeting: Feb School Board Meeting

Members Present: Ryan, Becky, Mike, Julianne, Lauren, Tina, Maria, Kari, Melissa, Heather

Date:

Tues Feb 16

Absent: Sandra, Rebecca

Location: Zoom

Time: 6:30pm

Mission Statement

Saint Bede Catholic School exists to support the family and community and to provide all children an opportunity for a challenging educational experience, which includes Social and Emotional Growth, Values, Tradition, and Faith.

Topic of Discussion	Presenter	Summary of Topic	Notes/Follow up required	Accountable	Target date
Opening Prayer	All				
Presidents Report	Missy	Confirmation	April 23/24 over 3 masses with a sign up process. There is some confusion about the sign up process. Communion was difficult as well (last year). Newer families were also very confused about reconciliation and Communion dates for this year. Communication has been unclear and younger grade families do not know the expectations of what happens and when. This is a source of long standing contention. The school community would		

			<p>like to be make these sacraments together as a class. Families are eager for consistency.</p> <p>Parish is aware of communication difficulties surrounding sacraments. Parish personnel is working toward fixing this for the future.</p>		
		Snow day	<p>Due to weather alerts and the kids not having their work/resources for remote learning, we had a snow day today (2/16). This was used as a remote planning day. Principal and teachers did work today. Why didn't we get a phone call? Why just the email? Usually this is put out in School Messenger, School Emergency Alert, and a robo call. The office was not able to make the robo call, so it was just put out in email.</p>		
Principals Report	Kari	General Updates	<p>We are in a much better financial position this year with scholarship money. Hopefully this work will continue in the future. We will be supporting 50 students next year with scholarship tuition.</p> <p>There are not many families who have said that they are not returning, but registration is still a slow process. Families must return registration paperwork to be fully registered.</p>		
		Covid Updates	<p>7th grade return tomorrow after being in quarantine. Teachers are finally getting their appointments through Allvax. Vaccinations should start soon. Once 7th grade comes back, there are no further positive cases or close contact cases to report.</p>		
Marketing Report	Maria	General Updates	<p>We have 2 new preschool parents join</p> <p>Current enrollment is 231. Over half the school is re-registered for next year – enrollment is 114 for 2021-2022. Tour requests are still coming through.</p> <p>Scholarships – we have 1 student with funding confirmed and ready to go. 8 students are awarded and accepted, but waiting for</p>		

			school information. 2 students have been awarded, but parents need to accept. We have 69 on the waitlist for scholarships. The process is slow and they go 1 by 1 for each student.		
Athletic Report	Tina	General Updates	No new updates – The Arch has not given permission for intramurals to begin again. A personal letter to Dr. Rigg has been written, but still the program was denied. High school sports have begun again with spectators, but there is no allowance for our program at this point. There is frustration because we are in a better tier now than we were before.		
PA Report	Sandra	General Updates	We lost the pizza battle, but still earned \$525 from Antioch wine night. The wine night was big success. Looking at hosting a second one in May potentially. Bake Sale buyouts have been good. We have a roller rink night coming up in March.		
Finance Report	Mike	Tuition	Parish-wise, we are ahead financially speaking. The budget is looking good. Building maintenance was much higher this year due to Covid, but those expenses should level as time goes on. John Laas retired mid-September and we are looking for a replacement. Dexter is by himself now. We are looking for part-time help, especially with cleaning after mass and snow removal.		
General Topics	Round Table Discussion		Notes do get sent to Missy and Kari. Once approved, these notes are posted to the School Website. Missy has not been sending them, but will start to send them to the group. How do we move forward with open board positions and appointments for the future. By-laws do say we have a 3 year term. We will have to put out a survey to see who wants to do a 2 year position, 3 year, 4 year and 5 year. We have the ability to renew for 1 additional term. We do have the power to change the bylaws, but the Pastor must sign off on any changes we make to the bylaws. With the “turn-around program” and future changes, we want to make sure that this board can continue to run with transparency. The bylaws and appointments should be a priority for future meetings.	Missy – have survey out by Wed of next week – February 24. Responses will be due March 1. Missy – send out bylaws again and we will begin	

				rewriting the portions of the bylaws that describe the process for new board members.	
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Future Agenda Placeholders			
Month	Who	Topic	
TBD		By-laws	
		Next Meeting March 9.	