CCEC Meeting
November 19, 2020 7:00PM
Google Meet

Meeting called at 7:01PM by Kim Siglow

Opening prayer led by Fr. Adams


EXCUSED: Megan Munafo, John Carr

*Motion: Noreen Szymanski moved to approve the September 24th minutes, seconded by Sara Horvath. All approved.*

Larry Hosking -- ES Update

- In-person learning is still going strong.
- There was one positive case in the faculty. It was determined that there were no close contacts. Our policies are working.
- Families have been awesome about asking if they need to stay home.
- Recent changes to parent volunteer movement are due to limiting close contacts.
- More volunteers are always welcome to give teachers a lunch break.
- Wednesday is a ½ day and also non-uniform day. The entire ES is doing a retreat centered on the Fruits of the Holy Spirit, led by Mrs. Mathews and Mrs. Dudding.
- Some teachers continue to balance in-person and virtual learning environments.
- No complaints received from parents of in-person students.
Friday dance parties and the teacher wheel are great stress relievers. You can donate gift cards, etc to Nicole Mills for the teacher wheel.

James White -- MS/HS Update

- Teachers have handled the transition to virtual learning so well.
- One teacher is using a classroom at Hackett, as he lives near Kalamazoo.
- We hope to return in-person on December 9th.
- Many factors went into the decision to close the MS along with HS.
- 45 minutes online vs. 85 minutes in person -- faculty is focused on essential learning and key standards.
- Kudos to the teachers for all the great things happening in teaching and technology.
- Virtual college visits are ongoing and applications are submitted regularly -- so far 24 acceptances and $380,000 in scholarship offers received.
- Ms. Wood is meeting with several groups during the day.
- Second semester scheduling has begun.
- Laker to Laker Day held Nov 13th for incoming 5th graders. All teachers including HS were able to join in and everyone was focused on the 5th grade group, as the MS and HS students had a virtual day. It was also helpful that the staff met this group a year ago when they were in 4th grade.
- Focus on enrollment -- this is a joint venture with all stakeholders.

Neil Carter -- Athletics

- If we come back on December 9th, basketball will restart with practice only, with games in January.
- Still lots of unknowns at all levels.

Sara Horvath -- Return to School (RTS) Update

- Version 2 of the RTS Plan was released recently. An announcement after the Thanksgiving holiday will highlight the changes.

Allison Gleiss -- Mental Health

- Working with Class of 2021 on college entrance and scholarships.
- 1 on 1 meetings were held with many students, especially those identified by teachers as needing help.
- We are talking about what went well and what didn’t last spring.
- The kids have been fairly positive so far.
Tiffany Vogleweed -- Update on Dr. John Pross Golf Classic and Athletic Funds

- The Golf Classic specifically benefits Laker Athletics.
- Generally the funds go to larger one-time purchases such as travel and fees for tournaments and equipment purchases and planned Laker Uniforms Gr 3 - 12.
- Estimated previous earnings: 2015 $18,000; 2016 $11,000; 2017 $34,000; 2018 $29,000; 2019 $34,000; 2020 $35,000.
- The gold outing requires start-up funds each year. The balance that is available for LMC Athletics is approximately $27,000 at this time to cover uniforms, one-off purchases, or plan for future expenditures.
- In the past these funds were passed to Blue Tide with guidance from Neil Carter.
- Does Blue Tide still exist? -- a determination is needed.
- Also, who is responsible for approving the Athletic Department’s budget? The Golf Fund recommends a financial oversight committee.
- The chain of command and budget process require clarity. The group of volunteers responsible for the Golf Classic is focused on successful fundraising. When it's time to turn over and/or approve purchases, we need to know who has authority to receive/plan for the spending of funds.
- Neil said in the past he submitted a budget to Blue Tide and the amount they were able to give him determined which items were approved. This way, everything on the list had prior approval. This budget did not include coaches’ salaries.
- Neil has a 5-year plan for rotation of uniform purchases. One-time items always come up -- this year it was a sprayer.
- Kim stated that the CCEC Finance committee is meeting regularly and can handle this for now, pending clarification on the status of Blue Tide.

Open Discussion: none tonight

The next CCEC meeting is scheduled for December 10.

*Motion to adjourn by Andie Seger, seconded by Theresa Rondelli. All approved. Meeting closed at 8:05pm.*