

Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 17, 2019 – 5:30 p.m.

Present:

Breeyan Antongiovanni, Karen Bogol, Father Bob Garrow, Shelly Petronis Schmid, Melanie McDonald, Jeff Zielinski, Joe Biernacki, MariClare Osborn, Ali Turnock, HASA Liaison Meg Tomczak, Chris Camparone, Greg Bingaman

Absent:

None

Meeting opened with a prayer and reciting the school's mission statement.

The group indicated that they had reviewed the previous meeting's minutes, and all voted in favor of approving them.

Pastor's Report

Father Bob shared that the 2020, zero-based budget was approved. Monthly expenses for the school are \$179,000, leaving us with a \$25,000 monthly shortfall. "We're making great strides but we're still strapped."

A new boiler will be installed in the school by October 2019 at an expense of anywhere between \$40,000 and six figures.

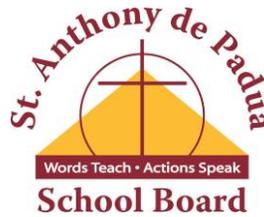
Six trees were recently cut down to allow for fencing along Jefferson.

The library and offices have new carpet thanks to grant money. By the end of summer, the school will be painted, classrooms will have new white boards and smart boards, scheduled classroom upgrades will be made and the parking lot will be paved.

Principal's Report

Karen showed the board a "Run, Hide, Fight" video used to train teachers and inform parents. It is not shown to students. During drills, teachers focus largely on hiding.

Safety Committee is leading a group that will work on a reunification plan, using Logan Center as the reunification site.



A police officer parent has volunteered to conduct live-action drills with teachers in the event of an active shooter or other threatening situation.

Currently, St. Anthony parents in law enforcement let the school know if there is a threat in the area of the school, but there is no formal protocol for inter-school communication about dangerous threats.

There will be changes in the before-and-after-school programs in the fall. Those changes will be communicated to parents on April 30. The programs will be run by the YMCA, but still housed at St. Anthony. YMCA will assume all responsibilities, including staffing, billing, and activities, and will offer care at the Y on days when school is canceled due to weather. Pricing for the program is comparable to current pricing. Father Bob considers this a selling point for the school, as St. Anthony is the only South Bend school to utilize this program.

It was suggested that we hold a meet-and-greet between parents and YMCA staff who will be onsite for care.

Our after-school staff will be able to apply to continue working at St. Anthony, but as a YMCA staff member.

We have a substitute teacher stepping in to teach Art classes until the end of the school year. We will look for a replacement Art teacher for next year.

HASA Report – Meg Tomczak

April 30 is “Give Back Night” at Chick-fil-A. HASA will hand out coupons in car line.

May 6 begins Teacher Appreciation Week. Parent sign-up sheets will go out shortly. A luncheon will be provided for teachers.

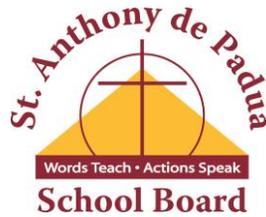
A sock hop will be held on Thursday, May 16 from 1-2:30 p.m.

Field Day is the final day of school (K-7th), and runs from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., then an early dismissal. Field Day activities will be divided by Houses.

HASA has created a tentative events calendar for the next school year along with a budget.

Strategic Plan

The group made updates to the Facilities and the Technology sections. Please see the document on Google docs for details.



Additional Topics

Karen reports that she has given several tours recently, particularly for 5th grade. She also added that St. Anthony received money from the diocese for marketing, which is going toward the purchase of yard signs for every family and window stickers.

The Good News letter from the Board is ready to go out. Two Board members have opted not to extend their terms on the Board. The board will seek three new members to replace these members, as well as one who resigned.

The Board was asked to review the Policy and By-Laws on Google Docs and offer recommended edits in the next couple of weeks. Will incorporate those comments into a final proposed draft to review at our May meeting.

Closing Prayer and Adjournment

7:00 p.m.