

# Education Commission | Minutes

Feb 16, 2021 | 5:30pm

**Education Commission Members Present:** Sarah Farmer (Chair), Dan Horgan (Secretary), Katie Wilson, Jacob Cheek, Sharon Bresler, Kristen Baumgartner, Caryl Shelton, Monica Smith, Fr. Del Staigers

**Absent: None**

\*Meeting conducted virtually

- Welcome and Gospel Reading | Reflection
- December minutes | Review & Approve – Approved

Principals Report:

- COVID updates
  - There were no new cases since last meeting, however some quarantines have taken place due to exposures.
  - First vaccination will be on Feb 26, second to be determined.
  - New EANS funds from the state may be available, for non-public schools. This is a gift like CARES money, not a loan. The timeline to give the intent to apply was this Friday, then Ohio will send out the application in early March, then we will have two weeks to apply for the money, then allocations will be made in April, and then we have until September 30, 2023 to use the funds.
- Open House
  - Twenty four (24) families registered to attend Open House; 1 no-show; 1 walk-in. The appointment schedule worked out well, as teachers were able to be ready and know who is coming when. Normally this is as low as 20 and high as 34 families attending over the past 7 years, so numbers aren't overall that different.
  - Received 6 registrations that day and had 2 more come in since the Open House.
  - Early Bird registration drawing has been extended again to Feb 28th.
  - Teachers and families both seemed to handle the changes.
- Catholic Schools' Week
  - Catholic Schools Week went well. Highlights were the "Minute To Win It" games with the 8th graders and the Student Appreciation Day with crazy hair, out-of-uniform and BINGO!
- 2012-2022 School Calendar
  - The calendar has been approved by the Archdiocese and will and be published to parents soon.
- Renewing Provider for Autism, Jon Peterson, Ed Choice and Ed Choice Expansion
  - All scholarship providers have been approved for next year.
- Upcoming Surgery
  - Sharon will be having knee surgery on March 26th and will be out for at least three weeks, one of which will be spring break. If all goes well, will be back on April 19th on light duty.

Scouts:

- Girl scouts: Had a drive-thru cookie booth.
- Cub Scouts: Had Pinewood Derby without issue. Blue & Gold event where the oldest scouts move up to Boy Scouts will occur in March. Discussion about floors and graphite sticking to floors, was difficult to clean up before open house despite precautions. Suggestion next year is to have this event after open house, maybe not use it, or not provide in the building. Dan will discuss with Cub Scout leadership.

Open Discussion:

- Discussion about COVID vaccines/dates/manufacturers and side effects that could impact staff getting the vaccines.
- Closing prayer - *Protect us, Lord, as we stay awake; watch over us as we sleep, that awake, we may keep watch with Christ, and asleep, rest in his peace.*
- Next Meeting to occur March 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. Future meetings to continue virtually.