

LaSalle Catholic School Board Meeting

Feb. 20, 2020

Present: Susan Hucker, Angie Katrichis, Shannon Brimeyer, Cindy Hunt, Sara Wilgenbusch, Father Diehm

Absent: Jake Cota & Roberta Smith

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 by President Angie Katrichis and prayer was led by Father Diehm.

The Beckman High School board members gave a presentation about welcoming ideas and brainstorming sessions to get LaSalle in the “know” and connected to Beckman. They also discussed the subsidy amounts that each parish pays if they have student that attend Beckman.

The meeting minutes were approved with a motion by Julie and seconded by Sara.

Reports:

Finance:

- Parish subsidies are up-to-date at this point
- There was a questions regarding preschool tuition allocation so that will be checked
- The Finance committee is reaching out to Melissa Domeyer to get an idea of where we’re out with the scrip program
- The school is under budget for heating at this point
- There has been no real change in the lunch numbers. Karen still focuses on being lean and saving money any place she can
- The finance committee would like to increase tuition by \$25 to each tier. The preschool tuition will stay the same for now. The motion to increase tuition was made by Sara and seconded by Shannon.
- The Finance committee proposed an even split across the board for the Kucera Grant. It would work out to be about a \$130 credit for each student. This motion was approved by Cindy and seconded by Sara.

Facilities: No report

Long Range Planning-will discuss at President’s report

Board In-Service: The board-gram discussed catholic schools week and heart month.

Principal’s Report:

- Susan is still working on recruiting a music teacher
- Mrs. Webb is still having issues with her knee. She will be completing more physical therapy but does not plan to miss work.
- There are 2 possible options for the 2020-2021 school calendar. Rick Colpitts is accepting remarks, suggestions and input before it’s voted on. One of the main differences is that professional development days are spread out throughout the year compared to this year. Also a longer period for an actual “spring break”.
- DRA Grant: Susan would like to use the \$500 memorial gift from the Bill & Betty Theisen Family and \$1000 from the facilities fund to apply as a “match” when writing the grant. This was approved.

- The kitchen range project is under-way. The stove will be purchased from school funds and will be paid back from the Catholic of Forrester's and the fire department with a raffle and matching funds endorsement. The motion was made by Shannon and seconded by Julie to approve.
- Title-1 (see Susan's principle's report for more info) the board agreed that we're ok with hiring another teacher for the catholic schools in hopes we could receive allocated time for our students, if needed.

Spring Social Update: We are 1 week out and have approx.. 140 tickets sold and about 100 baskets for the silent auction. Planning is on-going and set-up will start on Wednesday, Feb. 26 and continue through the day on Thursday. Susan has made arrangements for no kids to be in the gym on Thursday while school is in session.

STO Update: Susan received word from the Archdiocese that the money that was not raised for this year's STO will be back-filled, but for this year ONLY! We need to work diligently to bolster the local tuition amounts to help students that are in need. We have approx.. \$11k for students for this year.

Strategic Planning:

- Registration plans: Hold off on sending out registration packets in order to schedule a parent meeting so we can discuss the survey results and what our plans are to meet the needs that parents are seeing.
- The board agrees that it's a good idea to send out a pastorate letter to update the pastorate on what the school is doing and how we're planning to increase out enrollment as well as fundraising efforts.
- The board also discussed hiring a full-time first grade teacher so that we can split first and second grades. This was the major need that was apparent in the parent survey. This was motioned by Julie and seconded by Sara to hire the full-time teacher. Susan will start looking for candidates immediately.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 with a motion from Father and seconded by Cindy.

Submitted by: Cindy Hunt