

LaSalle Board of Education

Minutes from November 21, 2019 Meeting

Present: Susan Hucker, Jake Cota, Shannon Brimeyer, Angie Katrichis, Julie Deutmeyer, Cindy Hunt and Sara Wilgenbusch

Absent: Father Diehm & Roberta Smith

The meeting was called to order by president Angie Katrichis at 7:06.

Prayer was led by Susan.

Minutes were approved by Shannon Brimeyer, and seconded by Sara Wilgenbusch

Standing Committees:

- **Finance**
 - The office equipment line item is up so further investigation is pending
 - Profit is \$5795 of income, up by about \$1000 from last year
 - Lunch program is at a loss of \$844, but expected
 - The recast budget is showing a net loss of \$5845, mainly because of the lunch program.
There was a discussion regarding the lunch program. Couponing is happening, Susan is going to check into farm-to-market programs that Jake suggested
- **Facilities**
 - There was no official facilities report but Susan did mention that the Fire Marshall will make us submit a whole different plan for the DHS certification for all day 3 year preschool. We will need a licensed design professional to look at our building and submit the plans for review for the certification. Jake may have a connection to a design person
- **Recruitment & Enrollment**
 - Have not met yet
 - Trying to recruit members for this committee from the community

Board In-Service – Faith Formation & Catholic Identity

- How can we get the parish more involved in the school and vice versa?
- Volunteering the kids to help at parish events such as the card party

Family Matters

- Thanksgiving and spending your time wisely with family

Reports:

- **President**
 - Strategic Planning met last week and they are currently working on writing a comprehensive mission statement. Updates will be given to the board every meeting, but emails may be sent out between meetings as well.

- **Principal**

- Cookies with Santa – Dec. 14 from 9-11. This will include pictures with Santa, cookie decorating and story time.
- Preschool open house set for Jan. 14
- Early Literacy Carnival is set for March 14 – hoping to have personal invites sent/given to parish kids in the appropriate age group
- DHS certification has been more challenging than first thought. Teachers must take an additional “mandatory reporting” class that will cost more money
- The school will also have to pay for separate background checks for the teachers in order to meet the more extensive requirements for DHS.
- Great Gobble Galore – 5th & 6th graders will set up tables. Plum Creek Archery backed out and Usborne books backed out as well. We’re looking to fill that spot. Walking tacos, popcorn, lemonade and cookies will be sold for refreshments.

New Business

- Susan is proposing a substitute teacher increase in pay to \$120 per day. Long-term sub will be paid \$130 per day after the first 10 days. Jake motioned for the increase and Shannon seconded it.
- Letters will still go out for Teacher Christmas gifts. Scrip of choice will be given to the teachers from the money collected.
- STO donations should be postmarked by Dec. 31st. These donations are TAX CREDITS. 65% tax credit to state taxes; this information was included in the bulletin.
- For those families that apply for STO, a \$25 scrip certificate will be given to help off-set the application fee. Sara motioned to approve this and Cindy seconded it.
- Fundraising ideas: Texas Roadhouse, we made \$400 from the last year, most of profits came from the 50/50 drawing. We also talked about doing a Matching Funds breakfast with the Catholic of Forester’s. The Forester’s do the organizing and LaSalle does the work for it. This will be put on the schedule for Nov. of 2020. Cindy will find out more information for Pizza Ranch and we can reconvene on these ideas at the next meeting.
- Jump Rope for Heart – Mr. Peetz wanted to do this program with the students; it was decided that the school would not compete in this at this time, but we would look for other alternatives. Our biggest objection is that the money that is raised doesn’t directly help the community. This has been tabled for the next meeting,

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19, motioned first by Jake and seconded by Sara.