

LaSalle Catholic School Board Meeting Minutes

April 29, 2021

Present: Angie Katrichis, Father Noah Diehm, Julie Deutmeyer, Sara Wilgenbusch, Jake Cota, Shannon Brimeyer and Susan Hucker

Absent: Roberta Smith and Cindy Hunt

Meeting was brought to order at 7:09 by President, Angie Katrichis.

Father Diehm led the group in prayer

March 18, 2021 Board minutes were approved. Motion made by Sara and seconded by Julie.

Reports:

Finance:

- March Financials were reviewed.
 - Subsidies are paid up-to date. Balltown payment was made but will be reflected in April financials.
 - Office equipment listed for \$2714.99 was the final payment for phone system. Funds for this will be taken from the donated facility money.
 - Fuel for heating is under budget. Susan will look into possibly filling the tanks again due to low price.
 - Lunch program is looking to break even this year due to the Government reimbursements.
 - 20/21 Budget was projected with a net loss of \$42000, but looking to have a profit at year end.
 - Scrip Account is doing well and above in sales from last school year. Will have another Scrip contest in May to close out the school year.
- 2021/2022 Budget was reviewed by Finance committee which includes a FT teacher. Proposed budget shows a net loss of \$73,786. 2021/2022 budget was approved. Motion made by Sara and seconded by Angie.

Facilities:

- Waiting for quotes to come in to replace door by the dumpster and two Gym windows.
- Quote was reviewed from Kluck Construction to form and pour three windows in the concrete wall and patch two steps on the West side of the building. The alternate for the steps is to completely remove and replace them at a much larger cost. Motion was made by Jake to go ahead with the filling of the windows and patching of the steps and seconded by Shannon.

Recruitment:

- Strategic Planning Committee has been working on goals and objectives. Angie is starting a template for our marketing material and looking to create a strong enrollment committee. More information to come.

Board In-Service:

- Julie reviewed the May Family Matters which reflects on the Month of Mary. Three lessons that can be learned from Mary was 1. Finding God in all things. 2. Pointing to Jesus and 3. Seeking out help from God. Next month will be reviewed and reported on by Sara.

President Report:

- Board went into Closed session at 7:35 and dismissed at 7:43.
- Motion was made by Jake to proceed with the hiring of a Principal at 40 hours per week. Seconded by Julie.

Principal Report:

- Enrollment update—we've added a 3-year-old preschooler and Kindergarten student and have 2 more prospects for various grades.
- Workforce development-We had 2 issues resolved in favor of the employees. They are able to keep their unemployment benefits we directed them to apply for in April during COVID.
- EANS Funds: our revised amount is \$32,912 to spend over the next two school years. The teachers would like our focus to be on a school counselor with an interventionist as the secondary proposal. We are getting quotes from third party vendors to submit to the state as part of our application.

Pastor Report:

- Father encouraged to continue looking for options to increase our third source income, especially with the 21/22 school year budget set with a net loss. Jake suggested working with ITC which will donate new clothing that can be sold for a 50/50 profit. Motion was made and approved by Angie to look into fundraising with ITC. Seconded by Sara.

Old Business:

- Spring Social had a profit of \$31,317.00 which was around \$1200 less than last year's event. This amount did include a large donation of \$7000 from a family that recently moved back to the area.
- Forester Soup Supper & Lunch: received a check for \$2,654.53 and anticipate receiving \$1500 in matching funds from the state court.
- Childcare update: Meeting will be held on 5/3 to discuss next steps of sending out a survey for community input.
- 21/22 Staffing: Board approved through email to make an offer to Teacher applicant, but candidate declined. Search continues.
- Summer Cleaning: There is concern about finding volunteers. Suggestion was made to offer paying staff who are willing to clean the building later this summer. This will be tabled and discussed at next meeting.

New Business:

- Work-Comp: Currently have an open case with a Teacher injury.
- Board Membership-have two potential candidates. Continuing members will be reviewed at next meeting.
- **Board approved moving the May Meeting Date to Wednesday May 26th.**

The motion was made to adjourn by Julie and seconded by Sara at 8:28.

Submitted by: Julie Deutmeyer, Vice Chair