

# Saint Thomas the Apostle Board of Education Minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Board on Thursday, November 14 2019

**Board Packets submitted to members on 11/11/2019.**

**Calendar Items:**

**Next Board Meeting: 12/12/2020**

## Meeting Agenda

- 1. Opening Prayer- All**
- 2. Pastors Report- Fr. Jim Chelich**
- 3. Partner Organization Reports**
  - a. Finance Council President – Nancy Kennedy  
Refer to written report
  - b. Education Foundation – Kristy Irwin  
Refer to written report
  - c. Boosters  
Refer to written report
- 4. ESS Presentation – Courtney Data Usage Presentation, AIMS, MAPS and other assessments.**
  - a. Students are flagged if in the bottom 30% based on test scores
  - b. informally evaluated & a plan is made
  - c. Courtney's team provides reinforcement instruction & individualized coaching to the teachers
  - d. Strategy grouping using data from MAP tests
  - e. AIMS testing: all K-2 usage primarily to identify the opportunity, but also using for select 3-5 grade students
  - f. Progress monitoring goal will be to conduct monitoring monthly for the ESS team to see what's working
  - g. Actively seeing ~60 kids, following more than that. Actively pulling 59 students.
  - h. 5 resources total, ranging from 50%-80%. All Parapros, 3/4 parapros.
  - i. Engagement with external entities/tutors should be parent driven. It would be good to have a process here.
  - j. Capacity: Courtney is thinking about the best way to assess incoming students.
  - k. Wish List

-Seeking consistency: programmatic differences. Courtney is researching the right programs to use now and is seeking her team to be certified. We have a lot of reading resources; we need additional math resources.

- Would like a reading specialist to round out the team.

## **5. Auction**

- a. Betsy provided a written report, updates on the co-chairs (VanAndels & Jandernoas). We are focused on raising money. See written report.

## **6. Approval of Consent Agenda Items**

- a. Question on the minutes re: marketing support from students. Minutes & consent items were motioned & approved.

## **7. Administrators Report – Suzi Furtwangler**

- a. Supplied a written report and some additional commentary on the awards submissions. Suzi might need assistance in getting the awards submissions done. Question on the curriculum for Theology of the Body (two curriculums).

## **8. Board Deliberations – None**

## **9. Board Committee Reports and Action Items**

- a. Marketing & Outreach Committee – Jill H
- b. Mission Effectiveness – Cathy Buehler
  - i. Refer to written report
- c. Curriculum Committee – Veronica Perdue
  - i. Refer to written report
- d. Finance Committee – Jason Balgavy
  - i. Early review of the budget, similar pay raises & tuition rate increases as 2018-2019 school year. Jason is going to put together some goals for the finance council.
- e. Policy & Planning Committee – Christi Blum
  - i. Refer to written report
- f. Building & Grounds Committee – Josh Szymanski
  - i. Refer to written report
- g. Technology Committee – Chuck Rushmore
  - i. Refer to written report
- h. Extra-Curricular Committee – Judi Kopnik
  - i. presented a written report on extra/co-curricular activity opportunities for the board to consider.

## **10. Closing Prayer**

### **Attendance:**

### **Voting Directors**

Matt Maczka (chair): Present  
Erin Schmuker (vice chair): Present  
Derek Damstra (secretary): Excused  
Cathy Buehler (Mission Effectiveness Chair): Present  
Judi Kopnick (Extra-Curricular Chair): Present  
Christi Blum (Policy & Planning Chair): Present  
Veronica Perdue (Curriculum Chair): Present  
Jason Balgavy (Finance Chair): Present  
Josh Szymanski (Building & Grounds Chair): Present  
Chuck Rushmore (Technology Chair): Present  
Jill Hulswit (Marketing Chair): Present  
Bill Fetterhoff (At Large Member): Absent

Michael Pavona (At Large Member): Absent

**Ex Officio Members and/or Guests**

Visitors: None

Principal Suzi Furtwangler: Present

Monica Morrin: Present

Pastor, Fr. Jim Chelich: Absent

Betsy Egerton: Present

Nancy Kennedy: Present

Kristi Irwin: Present

**Proposed Schedule of Topics for the 2019-2020 Year**

August 16	- Retreat with Annual Goal Setting
September 12	- General Business
October 10	- General Business & Curriculum presentation
November 10	- General Business & Extracurricular presentation
December 12	- General Business & Policy & Planning
January 9	- Visit from the Superintendent of Catholic Schools
February X	- Setting the tuition rate for the 2019-2020 school year
Presentation	- 2019-2020 Budget Discussions and General Business & Finance
March X	- 2019-2020 Budget Planning
	- General Business & Technology Presentation
April X	- 2019-2020 Budget Finalization
	- General Business & Facilities Planning Presentation & Board open house
May x	- Prospective Directors & Committee Members Informational Session
	- General Business & vote on next year's officers