

Saint Thomas the Apostle Board of Education Minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Board on Thursday, September 10, 2020

The meeting was conducted from 6:00 pm until 7:15PM

Board Packets submitted to members on: September 9, 2020.

Board Homework: None

CALENDAR ITEMS

Next Board Meeting: October 8, 2020.

Meeting Agenda

Taken Care of via Email:

1. We abruptly ended last year and have not officially voted in the officers of the board. Unless there is any other interest Erin, Derek and I would be happy to continue in our roles as board vice chair, board secretary and board chair. Erin and Derek are in the final year of their first 3 year board term and I think I would be in my 7th year which is 1 year beyond my second term. Just want to note that exception to my term.

2. I have attached the applications of two prospective board members for your review and vote on.

If there is any discussion on either of these votes please reply all. If anyone else would like to be considered for the officer roles please let me know. Finally, feel free to make a motion to put this to vote and I'm hoping we can handle this in the next couple days so that we can move on to some other business.

Jason Balgavy motioned to put both items up for vote

Judi Koepnick & Josh Szymanski seconded the motion

Jason voted in favor

Josh voted in favor

Cathy voted in favor

Jill voted in favor

Veronica voted in favor

Michael voted in favor

1. Opening Prayer- All

2. Introduction of new members - Matt

Ryan Corcoran (Vice Principal)

Bryan Hilary (Board Member)

Michelle Anderson (Board Member)

Visitor: Amy

3. Partner Organization Reports- Matt Maczka

a. **Finance Council President-** Mark Kennedy

When Monica left, she had taken on two roles, parish life and business manager. Pam Strobel will be taking on parish life. Mark is temporarily taking on the business manager role. Suggested that Smart Tuition/Aid be moved back into school office, discussion between finance and School Admin pending. Budget process/timing for school and parish will line up. Additional discussion around additional funding sources/changing thinking regarding parish support of the school.

b. **Education Foundation-** Kristy Irwin

Refer to written report

c. **Boosters-** No report

Sara Preston is new athletic director

d. **Home and School-** No report

4. Discussion

a. Open discussion regarding kindergarten classification. Issues and frustration around classification of kindergarten counting towards family count.

b. Pam Strobel joined and gave a brief summary of her new duties in her new role (Parish Life Coordinator).

5. Administrators Report

Ryan Corcoran reviewed the administrators report. Discussion around use of canvas, the learning curve the teachers are experiencing and setting expectations.

6. Strategic Planning Update – Erin

Step 1 is reviewing current plan to see how effective we were at. Second is reviewing current leadership, and committees.

7. Board Committee Reports and Action Items

a. **Marketing & Outreach Committee**

Refer to written report.

b. **Mission Effectiveness Committee**

Refer to written report.

c. **Finance Committee**

Refer to written report.

d. **Policy & Planning Committee**

Refer to written report.

e. **Building & Grounds Committee**

Refer to written report.

f. **Extra-Curricular Committee**

Refer to written report.

8. Closing Prayer- All

ATTENDANCE:

14 Voting Directors:

- Chair, Matt Maczka: Present
- Vice Chair, Committee on Directors chair: Erin Schmuker: Present
- Secretary, Derek Damstra: Present
- Mission Effectiveness Committee chair, Cathy Buehler: Present
- Extra-Curricular Committee chair, Judi Koepnick: Present/Virtual
- Curriculum Committee chair, Veronica Perdue: Excused
- Policy & Planning Committee chair, Christi Blum: Present
- Finance and Fiscal Development Committee Chair: Jason Balgavy: Excused
- Building and Grounds Committee chair, Josh Szymanski: Excused
- At Large Member, Bill Fetterhoff: Present
- At Large Member, Jill Hulswit: Present
- At Large Member, Michael Pavola: Present
- At Large Member, Brian Hillary: Present
- At Large Member, Michelle Anderson: Excused

Ex Officio Members and/or guests

- Visitors: Amy
- Principal, Suzi Furtwangler: Excused
- Pastor, Fr. Jim Chelich: Excused
- Marketing & Outreach chair, Betsy Edgerton: Excused
- Parish Life Coordinator: Pam Strobel
- Parish Finance Council: Mark Kennedy: Present
- Education Foundation Pres., Kristi Irwin: Excused
- Home & School President, Shawn Schuring: Excused
- Boosters President, Kyle Wohlgemuth: Excused

2020/2021 St. Thomas School Board Meeting Schedule

9/10/2020	General Business
10/8/2020	General Business
11/12/2020	General Business
12/10/2020-	General Business
1/14/2021	Visit from the Superintendent of Catholic Schools - Setting the tuition rate for the 2021-2022 school year
2/11/2021	2021-2022 Budget Discussions/ General Business
3/11/2021*	2021-2022 Budget Planning /General Business
4/8/2021	2021-2022 Budget Finalization /General Business /Board open house
5/13/2021	Prospective Directors & Committee Members Informational Session - General Business/vote on next year’s officers

*All 2020/2021 meetings except 3/11/2021 will be held in the ministry center from 6:00PM-7:15PM