



## **Most Precious Blood Parish Catholic School**

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### **Total Board of Education Meeting Tuesday, January 11, 2022 6:15 pm Person-to-Person Meeting and Tele-Conference option**

**Attendees:** Carrie Schneider, Marie Gorman, Joan Stemler, Father John, Michele Hutchison, Mike Abel, Sarah Rose VanCamp, Wendy Krueger, Debbie Martin

**Opening Prayer-** Fr. John led the Board in an opening prayer and the Our Father.

#### **A. Religious Ed Report -Joan Stemler:**

- Students in grades 1-10 received Safe Environment training In October/November, meeting the requirements of the diocese. Grade 11 will receive the training as part of their lesson plans in April.
- The Diocese of Green Bay has updated their resources for receiving the Foundational Catechetical Certification for catechists. They are using Franciscan At Home, which is an online program through Franciscan University in Steubenville, OH. I have set up three workshops for the catechists. These resources are not only available to administrators, catechists, and teachers, but to any parish council members and parishioners, who wish to grow in knowledge of the Catholic faith in the areas of Scripture, Prayer, Morality, Catechesis, and many other topics surrounding discipleship and evangelization. Joan Stemler is the contact person for the parish and RE. Marie Gorman is the contact person for the school.
- Several families attended the Fun Family Advent Event on December 4th. The feedback was positive and families appreciated the time together, the information they learned, and the games and activities geared toward Advent.
- Several RE students participated in the Christmas Eve Family Mass with the readings.
- Regarding Youth Ministry, Love Begins Here, a local missionary event for teens, has set dates for the upcoming summer events. I have requested a middle school week from July 10-13. The students will be staying overnight at St. Raphael's in Oshkosh. The registration fee is \$100. Advertising and registration will begin in February

#### **B. School Report- Marie Gorman:**

- EANS Funds Update: A new SMART board is up and running. The School needs to make a plan by May 13, 2022 on how the remaining funds will be utilized.
- After School Extra Activities Update: The Cooking Club had 2 sessions with 11 students in each session. Bingo Club was in December, and met 2 times. A Crafting Club will start on Tuesday, January 18th, and will be held for 4 weekly sessions.
- As stated in the Religious Education report, the Diocese is using Franciscan at Home for continued Religion Certification. Teachers need to complete 2 workshops per year. They have completed the first workshop and the second workshop will be started on January 21st..
- Registration for the 2022 – 2023 school year will start at the beginning of February.
- Catholic Schools Week starts January 31 and goes through February 6, 2022.
- All BOE members received an email of the new policies from Bishop Ricken. These policies take effect on July 1st 2022
- Regarding Fundraisers: the Penny War and Wreath Sale, in the Fall, were successful. The Amazon Smile program and Candy Bar sale are ongoing. A Basket Raffle is scheduled to coincide with Catholic Schools Week. Possible Spring fundraisers: Knowledge-a-Thon, a Flea Market to be held in the gym or outside (weather permitting), Cookie Dough sale, another Penny War.



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--Regarding Home and School: They will be selling Kwik Trip Car Wash Scrip Cards.

### **C. New Business**

-- The minutes of the October BOE meeting were made available to all members. Michele Hutchison made a motion to accept the minutes. Sarah Rose VanCamp seconded. Motion passed.

--School Choice update: We have enrollment seats for each grade level. Suzan Dyer is awaiting the income levels to come from School Choice. When she receives that information she can complete the informational flyers and distribute them.

--Catholic Schools Week: Marie Gorman presented details of the various events scheduled for that week. When all plans have been finalized, BOE members will be notified in case anyone would like to help or participate.

### **D. Old Business**

--Wendy Krueger presented an in-depth explanation of how Knowledge-a-Thons have been executed in the past. Students are given questions and answers approximately a month before the actual event, so that they can study, prepare and begin to obtain pledges for their performance. Much discussion followed regarding how the school could best boost parish involvement as well as increase the number and amount of pledges.

--The BOE has discussed in the past about meeting with the Parish Council and Finance Council in some way. Fr. John recommended that Carrie Schneider reach out to Tina Noel at the parish center to get on the agenda for upcoming PC and FC meetings.

### **E. Round Table (statements made by Members)**

--In May, our school will be hosting an 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation, the first of its kind in many years. Discussion centered around how best to celebrate this momentous of occasions. Moreover, a Senior Graduation celebration was also discussed. More information will be forthcoming.

--The topic of new playground equipment was brought up and minimally discussed. Marie Gorman stated that the school will need to remove the old equipment first, before any new equipment can be installed. Much discussion followed and more information will be forthcoming.

**Closing Prayer-** Fr. John led the Board in an closing prayer and a Hail Mary.

**Our next scheduled Board meeting will be February 8, 2022, at 6:15pm. This will be an In-Person and Tele-Conference meeting.**