



**School Board Members Present:** Christi Kluzak, Katie Coglianese, Marlon Lutfiyya, David Dieter, Matt Smilak, Megan Thies, Mike Devine, Gina Gilmore, Ann-Marie Cronin, Chris Johanneson

**Ex-Officio Members Present:** Melissa Santos

**Others Present:** Patty Bajek

**Minutes** No minutes were discussed or approved; the November cyber safety presentation took the place of the November School Board Meeting.

### **Nonvoting Committee Reports**

#### Athletics

- No major updates. The basketball teams are halfway through their season.
- This is the last year that Keith will serve as Athletic Director. Erica has agreed to stay on for another year. Devine is also leaving after next year. Everyone except for Chris and Bobby Menendez has one year left—Bobby rolls off the year after next.
- With regard to cross country, there has been some discussion about whether All Saints should combine next year with St. Raphael's or Peter & Paul. Some children from St. Raphael's are playing on ASCA basketball teams.

#### ASPA

- The last meeting was November 12, and the next meeting is on January 21.
- The Executive Team has met with Mrs. Santos. The group needs another member because a member will leave after this year.
- The association is preparing for a few events, including the Daddy-Daughter dance, a Valentine's Day Party and the Dinner Dance Auction. It will also host a junior high bowling party sometime in March.

**Pastor Report** No report

**Trustees Report** No report

## Principal Report

- Calendar for 2020-21 School Year
  - The first day, August 19, coincides with the start of school for District 203. Will consider whether this should be a half day.
  - May 28 will be the last day of school.
  - Winter break would begin on Wednesday, December 23, and end on Wednesday, January 6 (this aligns with the District 203 schedule).
  - We are waiting to see what the draft schedules of St. Raphael and St. Peter and Paul's and will revise as appropriate.
- Iowa Testing
  - The diocese was looking into changing the school's testing platform, and not using the Iowa assessments, but it has decided to make no changes for the time being. ASCA will conduct IOWA testing in the fall.
  - ASCA has considered using IowaFlex testing in place of Aimsweb testing but is not inclined to make a change.
  - ASCA will consider switching to online versions of the assessments it uses. The pricing is different, however, and Mrs. Santos will investigate.
- Replacement of Books
  - Every year, ASCA looks at the curriculum cycle to see what books it might replace—religion, science, etc.
  - Mrs. Santos is looking at replacing the religion books for next year; but the curriculum may not change all that much.
  - ASCA will host publishers who can speak with teachers about available books.
- ChromeBook Violations
  - At the beginning of each year, students are given parameters around using ChromeBooks in school (impermissible uses, including games during downtime, etc.). Some capabilities are disabled, but it's impossible to lock down all functions that relate to impermissible uses.
  - There have been repercussions for rules violations, including the suspension of privileges.

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## Agenda Items

- Update on Principal Search
  - The online survey concluded at midnight on Friday—well over 200 parents responded (the goal was 150 responses). The responses will provide a lot of helpful information to the search team.
  - A week from today, the search team will meet.
  - They received over 20 resumes and have culled the number down to 13. The team will decide whom they'll invite to first-round interviews, which will take place in February. Dates have been calendared.
  - There may be some overlap in candidates for ASCA and St. Peter and Paul.
  - The message at the upcoming open house will be that the school and its brand are bigger than one person and that ASCA has confidence in the search process.
  - The diocese would like to extend an offer in March if possible.
- Finance Committee Update

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- The committee met Thursday to address the issue surrounding parish covenant agreements. The outcome is that a representative of the school board (Chris Johanneson) will send a letter to parish communities about how the board will shift responsibilities for the agreements back to the parishes. Chris will finalize the letter and send it before or during Catholic Schools Week.
  - The committee has discussed the Scrip program recently, and guarantees of purchases ASCA families are making. It is looking into what happens if vendors default.
  - Catholic Schools Week
    - It will be very similar to the schedule in years past.
    - The talent show will be the afternoon of January 30. In future years, the school will decide whether to hold it based on how the number of legitimate entries is trending. It may also consider opening up the show beyond junior high participants (to the lower grades).
  - Enrollment update
    - Enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year is currently at 436 students (as of 1/16/20). This represents a net increase of four students over the enrollment number in October 2019.
    - This figure is six students short of the budgeted enrollment number of 442.
    - Actual enrollment meets budgeted enrollment expectations at all grade levels except at the following levels: preschool; first grade; sixth grade; and seventh grade.
    - Enrollment currently exceeds budget expectations at second grade and fourth grade.
  - Empower Illinois update
    - The reservation night was this past Wednesday. It went much smoother than last year.
    - For next year, we currently have a little over \$11k. We currently have 14 students in our queue.
    - Awards will start to be made by February, for both current/new families applying for next year.
    - We covered the tuition of eight students through Empower Illinois last year.
    - Father Jeff Puthoff will meet with Mrs. Santos and Mrs. Bajek soon to discuss ways to encourage people to donate. They will discuss how to coordinate efforts related to Empower Illinois with the annual appeal. He will also be meeting with the School Board and Board of Trustee members on March 17, 2020 to discuss further.
  - Parish Council Discussion
    - The Marketing Committee has been trying to find a way over the last year to connect with partner parishes.
    - The goal has been to help build the ASCA community within each parish, so that ASCA members feel connected; and to make sure that ASCA branding is present in each of the parishes (banners, for example).

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- Megan Thies administered a survey to try to determine how to serve each of the parishes. The data was mixed because each of the parishes is different.
  - For next year, the board is considering establishing a committee that would focus on coordinating meetings (2x/year) with each of the parish councils, to provide updates related to the school.

**The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, February 18**

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