

CPOP Advisory School Board Minutes
Monday, October 11, 2021

Attendance: Holly Lauter, Cindy Fichter, Jane Eschmann, Jerry Heet, Fr. Chris Dunlap, Eric Hanna, Kelly Suellentrop, Nicole Vehige, Krista Baucom, Nicole Rogles, Lisa Perez, Julia Lembeck

Meeting called to order at 7:03pm

Opening Prayer: Fr. Chris

Minutes from the September meeting were reviewed and moved to approval by Krista Baucom and seconded by Eric Hanna.

Principal's Report: Cindy Fichter

It has been crazy busy. We sent off the IOWA tests, we got the labels back, but not the tests. As soon as they come in, Cindy will show results to parents. Parents will get letters about their child's IREADY results. The areas of the IREADY are reading and math. Parent/teacher conferences are coming up next week.

We have been waiting on approval from the Archdiocese about the Religion curriculum.

FSC is switching over to MySchoolbucks. We will no longer use PayPal to make payments. A note will be sent home explaining how to change over within the next week. With TheMySchoolBucks account, it will let families know when their balance is low right on the app.

SIP (School Improvement Process) Update - Faculty have now been chosen as chairs of each committee. Mrs. Fichter brought in the School Improvement Plans for past years as well as those of St. Clare of Assisi so that the Board could review. Year one will consist of reviewing our current curriculum, faith climate, and facilities and assessing what we need to work on. Once we have compiled all of our artifacts and data, we invite a visiting team (consisting of Archdiocesan representatives and other area principals and teachers) to make sure we are doing what we have written up in our School Improvement Plan. Mrs. Fichter will be sending out a survey for parents to fill out on the different areas of the School Improvement Plan.

Christy Ambrose is going in the spring to visit another school as part of this process.

Vaccine update: No update because it is not yet approved. Current recommendations remain that we continue the protocols in place at this moment.

There was some community inquiry into starting official class Facebook pages. The consensus among the Board as well as the administration was that this was not a necessary mode of communication given the multiple outlets already in use. In addition, any official social media groups would require an employee to monitor as an admin, and that is not a position the

administration wishes to add to anyone's job description at this time. If parents would like to take it upon themselves to create their own group texts, social media groups, etc. that can be done in a non-official capacity.

Pastor's Report: Fr. Chris

We had our 50th this past weekend. The Archbishop and three former pastors celebrated mass with us. It was a great time. 50th logo gear is still on sale until next Monday. Link is in newsletter

Piper is Fr. Chris' new dog! She is 11 weeks old and is his first dog. The students have met her and he plans to bring her over to school. Fr. Chris' birthday party is on October 30th. Food, drink, music..... All are welcome.

The Archdiocese will be putting a moratorium on spending over the next few years as they do strategic planning. Parishes will be capped at spending \$25,000 per project per year. If it is an emergency, the archdiocese needs to be called. The Board discussed how this might affect future improvement plans, such as a new playground. Most likely we will have to wait and see until we get more information from the Archdiocese.

PTO Report: Lisa Perez:

Last meeting went well.

Chick-fil-a fundraising night will be on 10/28 from 11am-7pm at the Des Peres location.

Waterway has a fundraiser and we are thinking about doing that, as well as a December shopping night at RF Home CO in Kirkwood and The Painted Tree in Ballwin.

We have 2 chairs for Happy Birthday Jesus: Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Petry.

Over christmas break we are thinking about doing an event at the Main Event in Chesterfield.

Parish 50th Celebration for kids is still being worked out for something in the Spring.

Fr. Chris agreed to starting "Pizza with the Padre" back up again.

November PTO meeting will be a more social setting again. We would like to see more older families there.

We are thinking about sending out a survey to see what parents want as far as events go.

Trunk or Treat is this weekend, put on by the 5th grade. We are getting a cop to be in the parking lot for the night.

Finance Report: Eric Hanna

Everything is looking on track. We are still waiting on our EANS money to come in. If we can get more staffing for aftercare, we can open it up to more students, which will also generate more income. More staffing is required because we need a 10-1 ratio since we include preschool age children.

Development Report: Nicole Vehige

Fundraising: According to the budget, we need to bring in \$25,000 this year. This is the first year we will not have anything coming in from an auction since it was brought back in 2015. The plan is to put something together in conjunction with the carnival in the Spring.

The future of the auction was discussed. We would need volunteers to step up to run one for either fall of 2022 or Spring of 2023.

Spirit cart has consistently operated at a loss. Switching to the online ordering will help with overstock and hopefully put it back in the black or at least breaking even.

Marketing Report: Nicole Rogels

No report for now. We will work closely with Mrs. Fichter to help with Catholic Schools Week.

President's Report: Kelly Suellentrop

The decision was made to move the November meeting from November 1st to the 8th. The bathroom cabinet for feminine product storage has been installed in the middle school girl's bathroom thanks to Julia Lembeck .

Buzz Report: Everyone

People ask about masks, but as previously stated, current recommendations remain the same.

Middle School camp is a possibility. Interest from middle school parents will be gauged.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55

The next meeting will be November 8th at 7:00pm

Notes submitted by: Emily Genovese