



St. Brendan School Advisory Board Meeting – **November 14, 2023, 6:00pm, Wellnitz Hall**

Agenda Topics		Topic Owner
1	Call to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meeting called to order at 6:02pm ● Attendance: Fr. Bob Penhallurick, Kate Cavello, Averel Meden, Erin Owsley, Shaun Castorano, Marie Adams, Chris Kirk, Rhonda Timko, Christine Mack 	Averel Meden
2	Opening Prayer	Marie Adams
3	Approval of September 12, 2023 Meeting Minutes Motion to approve: Rhonda Timko Second: Christine Mack	Averel Meden
4	Pastor's Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Trunk or Treat - huge success ● Lots going on at Parish: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rescue Project ○ Chosen Project ○ Women's Retreat ○ Men's Club ○ Women's morning group ○ Masses of Gratitude - refreshments celebrating payoff of One Campaign & celebrate volunteers ● School: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bringing adoration into the school ○ Each priest taking age group - Fr. Bob K-3; Fr. Weldit 3-5; and Fr. Stinnett Middle School ○ Would like a section in library that tells Saint stories in a non traditional format ● Advent is Dec 1st ● Planning a Christingle activity and service ● Two holy days of obligation Christmas weekend ● Principal Update: Partners in Mission talked to 6 people - 2 would be good candidates but haven't applied yet. One has applied and is a principal in another diocese. Fr. Bob and Superintendent Dufault are taking next steps with this candidate 	Fr. Bob Penhallurick

OUR MISSION:

St. Brendan School is dedicated to educating children in a Catholic community where spirituality is fostered, uniqueness is valued, and potential is realized.

OUR VISION:

St. Brendan School will be an affordable school of choice within the community which develops and fosters well-rounded individuals of high moral character based upon Catholic values

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Emmaus Road Scholarship - Fr. Bob is still getting many questions. Parish sent out educational flyer - will probably have to do more education on this ● First Holy Communion - not going to have specific masses. There will be a series of masses during the Easter Season where families can sign up and be recognized at the beginning of mass and have some reserved seating. It is meant to be a sacrament of the Church and so the kids can participate with the Church community ● Confirmation - will be a group picture with the Bishop either before or after the service so that he can depart timely ● We may explore Church Missal books for the parish but will not go back to hymn books. People participate more with the screens for songs. For the readings, the USCCB has directed that they should not be on the screen, and people like to follow along during the mass 	
5	<p>Principal's Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Enrollment is steady - 555 ● Will start Kindergarten registration of siblings in December ● Everybody else starts Kindergarten enrollment in Jan - St. Brendan and St. Margaret parishioners have priority ● St. Margaret preschool is going full time next year - working with a bus company that families can have kids bussed to St. Brendan. Already have 12 full time kids registered ● Ed Choice - 444 expansion apps (282 awarded) ● Fund A Need - upgrade the stage ● Planning an Art Show for Spring - 2-3 pieces per child placed throughout the gym (May) ● Winter Concert - band & choir in December ● 4th grade musical (Christmas) in December 	Kate Cavello
6	<p>President's Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Halloween- class parties really well ● Parent Speaker -exploring idea of information night where we bring in a speaker for the parents - could be on different topics and different age groups, tech, mental health, bullying etc - maybe once a trimester ● ParishStaq - we need to get all of us in the group; Fr. Bob will check with Dina tomorrow. Once 	Averel Meden

	everyone in, then we can share minutes, email communication and the meetings are already sent from there	
7	<p>Vice Chair's Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Athletic Association Report - new admin system from the diocese going well. Diocesan sports program is now under CYO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Basketball participation is slightly down - 110 kids registered. Teams are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 8th, 2 boys and 1 girls team ■ 7th, 2 boys and 1 girls team ■ 6th, 1 each ■ 5th, 2 boys and 1 girls team ■ 4th, 2 boys and 1 girls team ○ Cheer numbers are up. Cheer squad for each of grades 4, 5, 6. Grades 7&8 will be combined ○ K-3 basketball clinics - 118 kids signed up. Clinics start Dec 3rd 	Shaun Castorano
8	<p>Home and School Association Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tailgate - went extremely well; great weather; game came out well ● Auction Update - Fund A Need - stage proposal has been created. Kate and Fr. Bob need to review it next ● Funding many field trips ● 8th grade trip went well - kids loved it and they were well behaved ● 1st grade adopts a cow and they will do a field trip to dairy farm in the Spring ● Teacher gifts cannot go through H&S since the IRS requires that they be reported on payroll and they would get included at a diocesan level; also administratively cumbersome 	Chris Kirk
9	<p>Adjourned at 7:03pm</p> <p>Next meeting January 16, 2023, 6:00pm, Wellnitz Hall</p>	Averel Meden

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