

ST. ANTHONY BOARD OF ED OCTOBER 2020 MEETING/MINUTES

Tuesday October 20th, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m. ZOOM

1. Opening Prayer: Jim Sarcone – Our Father
2. Roll Call: Monsignor P Father Dolan P Jim Sarcone P Sheila Thurston P Ruth Sereg P
Joe Fitzgerald P Mary Porter P Joel Westrum P Harry Reed P
Administration: Jennifer Raes P
Faculty Rep.: Kari Howard P
DRE: Chris Corrice P
3. Approval of Agenda: Mary and Sheila
4. Approval of Minutes: September minutes needs updated and approved Mary and Joel
5. Audience concerns: (Limited to a total of 20 min. A max of 5 min. per person) recommend email: boardofeducation@stanthonydsm.org prior to BOE meeting with concerns. No Concerns
6. Reports:
 - a. DRE: emailed out
 - Confirmation year two has been very well attended this year. Highest attendance since I started. 78% attended the first retreat this last weekend. Students do makeup papers if they miss it. Students have been very engaged and on time.
 - RE is opening another 2nd grade class in Spanish. Classes are not full to the 12 max. yet and we will accept students all year until full. Parents are teaching from home using one of two programs.
 - Possible parent retreat in October/November on using technology as a Catholic family. More to follow.
 - Extra Spanish session Spanish/English – working on will hopefully get something ready this fall for parents.
 - b. Home and School Report: emailed out
 - New Treasurer is Lizbet Paz, she has a 5th grader, 3rd grader and a 2 yr old. She is replacing Shannon McDonald
 - The Teacher Nameplates from Sticks arrived and were delivered, Ms. Forey, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Bonnema, Ms. Howard, and Mrs. Westering all received one.
 - We are still in need of a Homeroom Volunteer for Kindergarten English with Mrs. Ernst. She is okay handling things herself for now and thinks in the Spring she may have a parent able to do it.
 - Conferences Oct. 13th-15th: Again, this year we organized parents to prepare meals for the cafeteria for the teachers/staff each day of conferences. A sign up went out at our last meeting so we are getting help from several parents. We will prepare a main dish, sides, desserts, and drinks so the staff can eat during their ½ hour break.

Last night Esther Morris & Bethany Davis brought homemade chicken noodle soup and salad. The teachers loved it!

- Our Fall Fundraiser kicked off Friday, Sept. 15th, 2020 with Chad Svendsen at StepitUpKids.com. We earned a net profit of \$15,254 with our STEAM Engine donation fundraiser! Plus, our teachers will receive a \$3,050.80 shopping spree for the coolest and latest STEAM and STEM equipment to use in their classrooms. The fundraiser breaks out this way:
 - 50% cash profit
 - 10% goes to teachers for STEAM/STEM products
 - 20% goes to student rewards
 - 7% cost of doing business
 - 13% pays Chad's company
- [Jennifer explains this is a great fundraiser – Team of Teachers and they look through the 60-page book and choose items.](#)
- Some history on our past Fall Fundraisers (not Spring):
 - 2015 we did Club's Choice - made \$8298.85
 - 2016 we did Club's Choice – made \$8105
 - 2017 we did Club's Choice – made \$6243
 - 2018 we did Double Good Popcorn -- made \$6836
 - 2019 we did Midland Fundraising and made \$5501.26
- Halloween Party is a Drive-In movie this year, Friday, October 23rd. 6:30-8:30pm. Showing Hotel Transylvania and rented a 26' wide screen with FM Transmitter. It's legit, concessions will be available and homemade photo booth. Each classroom will decorate a pumpkin which will be bid on during an Online Auction.
- Halloween Classroom Parties will be Friday, Oct. 30th in the afternoon. These are led by Homeroom Volunteers.
- Snacks for Teacher's Lounge – we did an online signup so families could donate snacks/drinks for our teacher's lounge every month.
- Santa's Workshop – The Knotty Nail – Painting wooden ornaments – Dates: TBD.
- Our next meeting will be Tuesday, November 10th, 2020 @ 7:00pm in school cafeteria. Childcare is provided.

[Great fundraisers – Home and School Budgets for – The teachers apply for the use through Home and School. Wonderful – great way to help Teachers out](#)

c. Administration/Principal: emailed out

- Iowa Board of Educational Examiners lifted rules around subs, so we are hoping to add to our sub list. Spread the word – subs need a college degree and then they can take a 15 hours course on Zoom through Hearland AEA 11 to receive their sub certificate.
- Students getting support in academics and speech are meeting with the DM Public School teachers in our building through the computer daily. Thankfully, I have a

parent volunteer helping monitor and support these kids, so I have time to do what I need to.

- K-5 FAST testing and 6-8 MAP testing for Fall is complete.
- We are still a part of the TWIN CS network. I have monthly meetings through Zoom with a team of Spanish Immersion school principals.
- We spent all the money from the government to help with anything we needed in the classrooms or building related to Covid safety and learning in this new normal.
- The SAS alumni is starting a campaign to gather more tuition assistance dollars.
- We are wearing masks even more after the new ruling came out about quarantining. Quite a while back whole classrooms would have had to quarantine, then anyone within 6 feet, now it is anyone within 6 feet that was not masked for more than 15 mins.
- We have had one Covid case since school started.
- Wed morning masses have been nice with kids distancing and masking, 2 classes in the church and the rest watch together in their classrooms.
- Darcy and I survived report season. Lots of reports to the state and Diocese during the start of October.
- New students, from DM public, struggling to adjust to our behavior expectations, so we have had to kick in our infraction steps.
- Parent teacher conferences overall went very well. Teachers and parents got to choose face to face/ Zoom – teachers chose first. This cut down numbers in the building which was good. Attendance in both avenues was great. We have some tweaks, which we now realize, so Spring will be even better.
Mary asked if we have picked up any new kids from other schools that are full? A couple from Holy Family – Public school children surprised that there is tuition.
Harry asked about PPP? Employees salaries to keep staff on during the pandemic
Ester-Funds Related to what you need cameras, laptops, document camera's, garbage cans, shields for students, mask,

1. Faculty Reports: No Report
 2. Community Event/fund Raiser
 3. Current Registration: KE-8th grade 275, preschool 3 10, PK 4 40, PK Span Imm(not already in PreK 1 total of 326
 - d. Budget/Finance: Jennifer and Sheila met with Mark prior to meeting-realized was an error will email out reports
 - e. Parish Council: meet 3 weeks ago nothing to report, committee -spiritual planning ½ dozen on this – how to build a stronger St. Anthony – more to come
 - f. Faith Formation: No Reports
 - g. Marketing: Thank you - Monsignor and Father Dolan for support in placing Ad on Radio
7. Old Business
 8. New Business
 1. Stem Reports: No Reports

2. Recruitment announcements:
9. Next BOE Meeting Tuesday November 17th, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m. SAS Teachers' Lounge/Lunchroom/ZOOM will be in ZOOM
10. Motion to Adjourn: Jimmy and Sheila
11. Closing Prayer:
12. Motion to have Executive: (if necessary) yes