

ST. ANTHONY BOARD OF ED NOVEMBER 2020 MEETING

Tuesday November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m. ZOOM

1. Opening Prayer: Monsignor Chiodo
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 a
3. Approval of Agenda: [Mary and Joe with approval of adding under new business Strategic Planning and Budget Planning – Approved](#)
4. Approval of Minutes: Joe and Mary
5. Audience concerns: (Limited to a total of 20 min. A max of 5 min. per person) recommend email: [boardofeducation@stanthonydsm.org](mailto:boardofeducation@stanthonydsm.org) prior to BOE meeting with concerns. Mrs. Warren observing no concerns
6. Reports:
  - a. DRE: emailed
    - Classes for both RE and confirmation have been very well attended
    - Have 1 family and Catechist out with COVID so far nobody else
    - Planning on a tech retreat in January primarily focused on parents and how they can use devices like Alexa in their spiritual life individually and as a family
    - Over 60 paid for tuition – really great job by the office this year
  - b. Home and School; emailed out
    - Halloween Drive-In movie (Hotel Transylvania) was a success! It was Friday October 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:30-8:30pm. We rented a 26" wide screen with FM Transmitter from FunFlicks.com. We had a concession stand in the Parish Hall and a homemade photo booth made by Heather Carman. Joel & Karime Westrum donated all the pizza! Each classroom also decorated a pumpkin which was bid on during an Online Auction. We made about \$720 overall. The online pumpkin auction totally saved us, or we have lost money as the equipment rental was about \$1000.
    - Halloween Classroom Parties were Friday, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon. I heard they watched movies, played games, ate snacks, and did crafts. These are led by Homeroom Volunteers and only the one volunteer could attend each class due to COVID.
    - We have found a Homeroom Volunteer for Kindergarten English for Mrs. Ernst! Dennetta Groomes has stepped up to help, so now all our classrooms are covered.
    - Santa's Workshop with The Knotty Nail (Painting wooden ornaments) was a success. It was November 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>. The kids had lots of fun painting Christmas ornaments in the lower Church. They did not want to go back to their classrooms! We had a full staff of volunteers too!
    - Spirit Wear/School Uniforms – if wanting SAS gear before Christmas, orders must be completed by Friday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> at [ImageSolutionsDM.com](http://ImageSolutionsDM.com).

- Teacher/Staff Gift Fund will be going on again this year. The school families can contribute to a gift card of the teacher's choice for a Christmas gift. This year's option's will be Target, Amazon or HyVee.
  - Our las H&S meeting was Tuesday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>. We had 13 parents attend, three board members, two teachers, one Principal and a partridge and a pear tree! HA! It was well attended (we had seven parents attend at our November meeting in 2019) and all went well.
  - We are unsure if we will host a January event yet due to COVID. We usually do a community builder of some sort. (Last year was the Roaring into the 20's Gala and before that we did a Magic Show)
  - Next H&S meeting will be Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 7:00pm in the school cafeteria. Childcare is provided.
- c. Administration/Principal: emailed out
- Continue to have students attending full time 5 days a week.
  - Our first day of school was August 24. Since that time, our families have been wonderful about being safe and keeping kids home with symptoms of any kind and getting COVID tests if needed.
  - Since Aug. 24 we have had only positive COVID case on this campus amongst our school staff and students.
  - Our teachers and maintenance staff work hard each day during regular times, but even more so during this pandemic.
  - Early out Thursday is at 2:00 going well and helpful for planning for teachers
  - Wanting a new vendor for clothing
  - We are going to start doing Adoration again in church. One class at a time, socially distanced like we for Wednesday masses.
  - We sold one of our buses, so that will cover some budget deficits.
  - Drive in movie was awesome!
  - Teachers are working on crunching data from beginning of the year assessments to provide support and challenge to kids who need it.
  - Alumni committee is starting a campaign to build funds in the SAS Student Tuition Assistance fund.
  - Excited about the \$3000 plus we get to spend on STEM/STEAM from the fall fundraiser. (Home and School has done a lot – Thank you)
  - **Concerns/scenario if have more cases of COVID** – would have to submit to the State if have more then 10 % of absent with illness. (general # for the whole state) would have to call in and they decide, fill out a wavier for 2 weeks at a time, meet with the Diocese weekly and discuss. We are doing well with sanitizing
  - **If a child gets sick – quarantine. if a teacher gets sick?** – We would have 2 subs available a 3<sup>rd</sup> may be difficult.
  - Each case is different – if must go online (like back in March) not everyone has their supplies they would need – would have to pick up
  - Would Have a plan in play

1. Faculty Reports: Every Thursday get all assignments ready
  - Extra hours – quality for students at home and at school (2 worlds) Units – reaching both students
  - Janitors cleaning – Teachers must leave rooms for 15 minutes while sanitize
  - A lot of stress
  - Jim asked children w/o internet – would have to find out what need, and they would have to pick up/communicate.
  - Mary asked if there was anything the board to do for the Teachers to show appreciation – note, snacks, maybe a little pampering. Yes, would appreciate very much
2. Community Event/fund Raiser
3. Current Registration: KE-8<sup>th</sup> grade 274, preschool 3-10, PK 4-40, PK 4 Span Imm (not already in PreK 1)-1, Total of 325
- d. Budget/Finance: emailed out – BOE members would appreciate if where sent sooner to review
  - Delinquent Tuition payments \$30000 keep hovering around this area. Who is supposed to be calling - Mark has the understanding that Darcy & Jennifer make calls – Decide who is doing? BOE feels S/B Business should be handling/Monsignor if you could reach out to Mark about this. Yes
  - 30,60 letters not firm enough would like to add it to meeting – need a solution – follow up on this
  - Monsignor – key group of people to thrash this out – sit down – need more action – Face to face – will discuss with Jennifer & Mark
- e. Parish Council
- f. Faith Formation
- g. Marketing emailed out
  - New Update
    - ✚ Requested information from Diocese about Marketing plans from other Catholic elementary schools
      - Received Diocese of Des Moines Marketing Plan (attached in BOE email)
      - Received SAS Enrollment Management Plan (attached in BOE email)
      - Will be meeting with Jennifer to review
    - Will attend Diocesan marketing meeting – November 16 during the day (virtually)
    - Meeting with different previous SAS Marketing Volunteer
    - Old News:
      - ✚ Previously emailed/sent via School eNews request from parents to join Marketing (Enrollment) committee
        - Can this be shared with Kim to be in the bulletin? Yes
        - Requesting BOE members to provide names of individuals in terms of volunteering, Will personally reach out to them. Can this be provided (emailed to Mary) by next meeting Nov 17? BOE members will try and send

- Previously we discussed if anyone will be reaching out to local news media (10-year anniversary of Spanish Immersion) – Father Dolan has reached out to Kim – have not heard anything yet – will attempt again – Maybe reach out to KCCI since they had original started documentary

7. Old Business

- Strategic Planning – 5 year plan current decide to walk away and plan another one – Advise – planning – work on a (marketing plan – should be included) pick it back up yrly tactical plans with that – need to be once every 6-8 weeks to come up plan ideas – set a plan forward – Joe and Jim have volunteered to accomplish this committee – Mary has info from Bonday yes but into that we have to have a yes a All buy in – bring to parents, parishioners to all. Find out what worked? Went well? This should not be pushed back

8. New Business

1. Stem Reports:

- Nancy – Engineer of the week
- Angel set up and sent to out to families Alumni Tuition Fund
- Literacy – Iowa state drops off and pick-up books

2. Recruitment announcements:

9. Next BOE Meeting Tuesday December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m. ZOOM

10. Motion to Adjourn: Jim and Ruth

11. Closing Prayer: Monsignor

12. Motion to have Executive: (if necessary) No