

ST. ANTHONY BOARD OF ED FEBRUARY AGENDA

Tuesday February 22nd, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m. St. Anthony's Lower Parish office/zoom.

1. Opening Prayer: Sheila Thurston
2. Roll Call:
Monsignor Chiodo A Father Dolan P Sheila Thurston P Ruth Sereg P
Joel Westrum P Harry Reed P Tom Buckmiller P Jaime Leiva A Joseph Barsetti P
Administration: Jennifer Raes P
Faculty Rep.: Kari Howard P
DRE: Diana Balmaceda A
3. Approval of Agenda: Joel Westrum and Tom Buckmiller
4. Approval of Minutes: Joel Westrum and Sheila Thurston
5. Audience Concerns: (Limited to a total of 20 min. a max. of 5 min. per person) recommend email: boardofeducation@stanthonydsm.org prior to meeting. No concerns
6. Reports:
 - a. DRE: emailed out
 - Students: 152
 - The catechist will have a Lenten retreat on Saturday March 5th lead by Hilda Ramos (Director of AFF)
 - Have begun to plan next year's calendar and determine how to best integrate Confirmation preparation into Diana Balmaceda's CCD program and away from Kim Lehman.
 - Bring in house mapping: yr. 1 -Sunday's, yr. 2 – Wednesday.
 - 2 weeks vac. In July-August.
 - b. Home and School: emailed out
 - **Catholic Schools Week – Jan 30 – Feb 5.** Home & School provided a professional 15-minute massage for teachers/staff on Monday & Friday. We also ordered Hotsy Totsy to come again but it was too cold. It has been rescheduled to Tuesday, March 22nd. They will come to the East parking lot from 7-9 AM. Home & School will fund the Hotsy Totsy breakfast for teachers/staff and it is also open to the public. They will also be receiving a new SAS spirit wear shirt! Homeroom Parents gathered "Wish List" items for the teachers all week as well.
 - **Valentine's Day** – No party, just students sending in Valentine's for classmates, if desired.
 - We will be providing meals for staff during **conferences** on Tuesday, Feb. 16th & Wednesday, Feb. 17th. Parents have signed up to help. Main courses include cavatelli and fried chicken!
 - **Roaring into the Twenties "Two"** will be happening on March 5th in the gym. We are partnering with the church social committee for this event to try to merge the church & school. Includes a silent auction, meal provided by

Culinary Nomad, DJ & dancing, photo booth, & alcohol pull. BYOB. Tickets are \$40/person. 1920's attire encouraged but not required. Cash, check or Venmo SAS1912. Hope to see you there!

- **St. Anthony's Apparel Store** - <https://stanthonysonlinestore.itemorder.com/shop/sale/>
- Check out our new online store for some new apparel options for adults and kids! The quarter zips & hoodies can be worn for school uniforms. SAS Home & School does receive a portion of the profits. Everything should be shipped by March 18th. Orders must be placed by Friday, February 18th! We must have a minimum of twelve orders for each item for it to go through.
- **Spring Fundraiser** will be a FunRun with Boosterthon again. They are great to work with and we get fantastic results. It will be March 1-9. Event day will be March 9th in the gym. We will have an inflatable tunnel and an energetic MC to run the event to make it more fun for the kids. If we meet our goal of \$15,000 we will slime the Principal on FunRun Day!!
- **Easter** – classroom parties will be Tuesday, April 19th.
- **Possible Mascot Costume?** – Discussed raising funds to purchase a mascot costume for the St. Anthony's Hawks! They are roughly \$1500. Junior High students could get tickets on PBIS cart to wear for assemblies/ball games/etc. Would be fun for carline too! We will take a vote at our next meeting about purchasing.
- Our **next meeting** will be Tuesday, March 9th, 2022, at 7:00pm in the school cafeteria.

c. Administration Report: emailed out

- Registration is in full swing
- Open House two weekends ago was the most successful Open House we've had. It was for Preschool, Prekindergarten, and Kindergarten, Kari commented was nice opportunity right after the Spanish mass.
- About 15 students, that speak English and Spanish, helped with the Open House
- I have also given a good amount of tours outside of the Open House time.
- Hired a part-time ELL (English Language Learner) teacher
- Hearing tests complete
- Dowling engineering students came out to talk to 8th graders
- Mikayla Bonnema, music, won a grant from Greater Iowa Credit Union and is getting xylophones
- Great week of conferences just completed. Our parents are great about making it a priority.
- Jennifer making strides in communicating – Dr's. From Venezuela toured and enrolled their children – this is great – continue to grow
- Enrolled 3 new students for this year.

- d. Current Registration:
 - We enrolled 4 new students over the past week, for this current school year.
 - Enrollment is going very well

- e. Budget/Finance: emailed out. Next year's budget adjusted – Budgeted for 282 students, casting for 293. Waiting for registration to be completed.

- f. Faith Formation:
 - Catholic Schools Week was a great week of celebrating our faith and our school and being able to have it all wrapped up together
 - Teachers continue their faith journey Zoom's with the whole diocese

- g. Parish Council: No meeting currently

- h. Marketing: No report – will meet and discuss what can be done for the future,
 - Fundraising – musical group, offer a pizza party

- 7. New Business:
 - 1. Stem Reports: Gregg
 - Middle school designing cars – will race down halls Friday.
 - Finishing up working on possibly bridge building
 - Resume Stem Camp – 4-day K-4 \$70-\$80 per student Drake will give the room, Spanish Immersion Stem, working out the details.

 - 2. Budget/Strategic Planning:
 - a. Ad Hoc Increasing Teacher Pay Scale Committee:
 - Alumni Committee will be working on tuition assistance again in preparation for next year
 - Teachers also would like to be paid biweekly instead of once a month. Mark will check into and see if possible.

 - 3. SIAC (School Improvement Committee)
 - SIAC (School Improvement Committee) has a meeting set – Joel is the BOE rep

 - 4. Wellness:
 - YMCA – 10 interested in, waiting to hear back on income needs-\$61.00 per mth. Final cost would be roughly around \$5000.00
 - Jennifer received feedback from the Teachers asking if there could be other options for those who do not participate, maybe a plan B. Like planet fitness? Harry is willing to reach out to our parish groups asking for contributions in making this happen for our teachers. YMCA does have a lot to offer though – swimming, exercise classes, racquetball, gym, childcare, maybe investigate financial, Aid, Gregg is a member of the Y and w/his financial aid - cost is around \$30 per month. , maybe look at sponsors for the teacher's pay for those participating, fund raiser's, Sheila Thurston said she would sponsor, Harry is able to do ½ of sponsorship, will look at other means.

8. Next BOE Meeting Tuesday March 22nd, 2022 @6:30 p.m. St. Anthony's Lower Parish office.
9. Motion to Adjourn: Sheila Thurston and Joel Westrum
10. Closing Prayer: Sheila Thurston
11. Motion to have Executive: (if necessary) yes need 5 minutes