

Archbishop Bergan Catholic School Board of Education Meeting Minutes September 25, 2019 Bergan Elementary Learning Cottage

Misti Wolf called the meeting to or at 6:34. Opening Prayer by Mr. Koenig

Roll call

Members present: Misti Wolf, Melissa Hapke, Judy Getzschman, Nicole Owsley, Suzanne Mendlik, Ryan Miller, Todd Thomasen, Kurtis Slater, and Susie McWhirter Also present: Dan Koenig, Bonnie Nebuda, Fr. Mishek, Fr. Cremers, Fr. Nolte, and Wendy Kerkaert

Absent: Tad Dinkins, Ann Folkers, Kevin Cansler

• Approval of minutes from last meeting

Melissa Hapke motioned to approve the minutes from July, Suzanne Mendlik seconded- all in favor.

• Reports

- Principal's Report: Dan Koenig (all reports available for review on Google Docs)
 - Staff Update: Stacie Roberts took over for Sylvia as the lunch program manager, and Cheyenne Walz took over for Tiffany as the elementary secretary.
 - School Safety Update: Hand held radios are now at each school. Each administrator has one at all times. Teacher/coaches have one when leaving the building. They have multiple channels: emergency channels for just Bergan, as well as a city wide emergency channel.
 - The Learning Cottage is up and running. Fence still needs to be completed. It was a seamless transition for the kids and Maggie Getzfrid.

• Pastor Report- Fr. Nolte

- Staff changes at the Parish office: Deacon Steve Hill is now working in the finance office; Lisa Leatherbury has gone to part time.
- Our Parish is running at around a \$400K deficit. Our biggest expense is healthcare. We are working on more fundraising to generate more funds. The biggest issue at Bergan is the amount of families falling below the poverty level (60%). Also, we do

not have as many large donors in Fremont compared to other communities. Our goal is to capture alumni with the means to help. Also, go outside our community for donations.

o Fr. Nolte and Fr. Cremers have been in the schools 20-30 hours a week. Fr. Cremers has been sharing his experiences with the high school kids, and acquainting himself with the kids and parents.

• Discussion Items

- Advancement Report: Bonnie Nebuda (all reports available on Google Docs)
 - Knight Event 2019 will be held November 22, 2019. Donations are beginning to come in.
 - Report on Admission/Retention. It was discussed that exit interviews should be required before transcripts are released.
 Also, entrance interviews (why did you choose Bergan?) were discussed as well.
 - O Recruiting: Dan and Bonnie have and will make recruiting trips to Omaha to talk with 7th/8th graders at catholic middle schools. It was suggested that they also visit Trinity here in town.
- Campaign Status Update: Dan Koenig (reports on Google Drive).
 - Oscar will be calling on prospective donors, following up with people who committed to donate when the campaign first began contacting people.

• Adjournment

Misti Wolf adjourned the meeting at 7:48PM.

Closing Prayer by Fr. Nolte: