# **Archbishop Bergan Catholic School Board of Education Board Meeting**

Retreat Minutes January 17, 2021

## **Opening**

The annual retreat of the Archbishop Bergan Catholic School Board of Education Board Meeting was called to order at 3:09 on January 17, 2021 in Delaney Hall by Fr. Mishek.

#### **Present**

Fr. Nolte, Dan Koenig, Tad Dinkins, Melissa Hapke, Isaac Morrissey, Fr. Cremers, Elizabeth Borisow, Ryan Miller, Todd Thomason. Fr. Mishek

Not Present: Susie McWhirter, Kevin Cansler, Kurtis Slater

### **Open Issues**

Approval of the 2021-2022 School calendar: Melissa approved, Tad 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

#### **New Business**

- Advancement Report: on Google Docs
  - Knight event numbers came in lower than last year, but under the circumstances, advancement was happy with the results.
  - The Began Fund met their goal of 100K
  - COVID has made recruiting difficult.
  - Catholic Schools Week: drive thru coffee, talent show, however no all school pep rally this year
- Financial Report from Deacon Steve: on Google Docs.
  - No decisions have been made at this time about tuition increases.
  - Late enrollment fee will increase from \$50 to \$150.
- Action Items:
  - A Chromebook cart was purchased for the MS/HS
  - Booster Club will donate money to pay the salary for a new para at the elementary. Interviews will begin soon.
  - New carpet will be installed in the church. This is coming from a designated donation.
  - March 10<sup>th</sup> an in person town hall is being planned. This will be a solution driven, positive meeting.
  - April 4<sup>th</sup> an interdenominational 5K Run for God is being planned.
  - Fish Fry this year will be take out only.

**Retreat Items: On Google Docs** 

- As a board, we need to be proactive, not reactive. We need to be positive and look and what God wants for our school. Prayer needs to be a part of every decision.
- The board needs to add more members.
- Our significant successes this year include the debt forgiveness, having inperson school, successful activities (State Runner up in Football and One Act), and the changes to the Advancement Office.
- Our goal is to keep kids in school, and constantly find opportunities to add to our enrollment. STRIVE has given Bergan great exposure.
- Moving ahead, our opportunities for the coming year include adding back staff, recruitment, post-secondary options at Midland and Metro, volunteers Post COVID, and to continue to form our faith, and encounter Christ in this culture.

## Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:09 PM by Fr. Mishek. The next Board Meeting will be 6:30 PM on March 24, in the Bergan Elementary school library..

Minutes submitted by: Wendy Kerkaert