

ST. MONICA SCHOOL COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
February 8, 2023

Attendees:

- SMSC: Dan Cary, Allissa Prater, Ryan Van Den Elzen, Jeanine Boudreau, Susan Eoloff, Bill Nurthen, Brian Wolff, Beth Cherveney
- Home & School Committee Liaison: Maureen Costello
- Pastoral Council Liaison: Chris Ott
- SMS: Mrs. Friday, Interim Principal, Fr. Tonny Kizza, Associate Pastor

Excused: Sarah Rolfs, Meg Dean

Opening Prayer.

Call to order at 7:05pm

Preliminary Matters: Prior meeting minutes APPROVED.

Business Matters:

Principal's Report, Mrs. Emily Friday

- Friday is a Professional Development day to work on Standards Based Grading
- Looking for input on Math program grades 1-5
- Have we done a climate survey recently?
- Construction is moving along --- no bid yet
 - Three companies have done site surveys, bids due end of March
 - Goal is to start in June

Home & School Committee Report:

- Auction chairs for next year are almost filled

Parish Update – Chris Ott:

- Parish Fair – June 10 / 11
- Fr. Mark is actively involved and helping to bring new energy to the fair

Unpaid Tuition:

- 2 families have not signed agreements (down from 3)
- Received multiple communication from Fr. Mark, no response.
 - One communication was in person
 - Fr. Mark is continuing to monitor the situation and take appropriate action
- 8 total are behind:
 - 6 have signed agreements (as little as one month)
 - There is approximately \$19,000 past due
 - We have financial aid available some of these families have not applied

Annual Fund Report:

- \$93,000 raised
- \$40,000 lift from Non-Families
- Final push in March
- Goal \$57,000 more
 - Tracking higher than past
- Matching is an opportunity
- Double the donation

Grading System:

- We have a new rep with new system (Power School)
 - We are delaying payment until progress is made
- We had to pay Option C

Teachers:

- 2 teachers not returning – both because they are moving out of state
- 1-2 undecided
- Planning for Increase aid support
 - Aids in all 6 Kindergarten rooms

Budget Process:

- Budget is due Feb 17th
- Becky Jones (Executive Director of St. Monica School and St. Eugene School) has been helpful
- Continuing to assess if we're at 80% of Public School equivalent given recent inflationary environment

Principal Hiring:

- Posting was published in February
- Seeking 3 years minimum experience

Attrition of 3K & 4K:

- 3K to 4K we lost 9
- 4K to 5K we lost 7

8:30pm, Meeting adjourned