

Lourdes Catholic School – Board of Education
Tuesday, 9/15/2020 - 6:00 PM - Minutes
Virtual Meeting Via Zoom

Attendees:

	<u>Voting Members</u>		<u>Non-Voting Members</u>
X	Tom Melchert – President	X	Jennifer Alongi - Principal
X	Mark Martinez – Vice President	X	Sheryl Lackey – Business Manager
X	Dave Reilly – Secretary	X	Megan Stopulos - H&S President
X	Rev. Jason Crossen – Pastor		Rev. John Lamansky – Parochial Vicar
X	Tyler Edwards		Amy Paul-SAM
X	Tony Lemek	X	Gloria Mesick – Teacher Representative
	Donica Mokosak	X	Victoria McCollum – Teacher Representative
X	Brian Nikulski (and SJV Representative)	X	Dan Colbrese – Athletic Director
X	Tom Quinn	X	Emily Andes – Director Faith Formation
X	Kurt Tressel		Brett Adams-Coordinator of Evangelization & Youth Ministry
	TBD		Kelly Bush – Liaison BOE/Parish Council
	TBD		Ryan Wermes (SCRIP)
			John Leinart- (AHS Rep)

- 1) **Call to Order** – Time: 6:03 pm
- 2) **Opening Prayer** – offered by Fr. Jason
- 3) **Introduction of Guests** –
 - Brent Morlok – City of Bettendorf Engineer
- 4) **Approval of Agenda** – Motion to approve offered by Brian, second offered by Mark, motion passed by board
- 5) **Approval of Minutes** – Motion to approve offered by Kurt, second by Tyler, motion passed by board
- 6) **Open Forum** – No open forum items
- 7) **Old Business or New Business**
 - **Road Construction Update: Brent Morlock – City of Bettendorf Engineer**
 - Bridge update – East span of bridge will be open to traffic by end of the year. Approximately Thanksgiving it will open for West bound traffic, 3-4 weeks later for East bound. Two lanes of traffic will travel in each direction.
 - 14th St./Brown project – Some delays have been experienced following the storm. Project should be completed second week of October.
 - Last Iowa exit (Grant Street exit) remains closed – detour exiting I-74 onto Kimberly Rd./Middle Rd. exit will remain in place until approximately November 1
 - 18th St. reconstruction – Project is planned to be completed approximately the 2nd week of October.

8) Father Jason Crossen Report

- Bettendorf Vision – Monday was first public Zoom information meeting, approximately 100 in attendance. Next meeting on Tuesday Sept. 22 at 6:30 PM. All welcome to participate. Working to gather community feedback on information gathered and proposed scenarios.
 - Brian Nikulski. commented that he was very pleased with involvement of parishioners and the open mindedness of all involved to view the big picture. Tom Melchert echoed those thoughts.
- Parish Council president Cathy Halter has resigned. Nominations in place to fill open positions and identify a replacement for president.
- Offertory has been declining over past few months with COVID-19, parish team is working to explore opportunities to communicate the continued need of offertory to maintain parish function and activities.
- First Communion complete and most confirmations are complete.

9) Principal Report – see report

- Through Bettendorf schools LCS has \$13,000 of title money that must be spent by June 30. Exploring options to use towards math specialist.
- So far, no cases of COVID in the school, students and staff following guidelines.
- Tom M. asked about tracking of absenteeism; Jennifer explained schools are required to track any absences due to COVID related symptoms (not only when positive). The information is needed to report on percentage of absences.
- Mark M. asked about status of the new playground equipment purchase and installation from Starry Night funds. Some delays occurred obtaining required with approvals to install, deposit has now been made and project is moving forward.

10) Business Manager's Report – see report

- August received \$5500 of donations mostly to be used to purchase PPE for school.
- Accounts receivable is currently higher than normal, payments from families are coming in slower than normal.
 - Megan Stopulos commented that this issue was also raised during the H&S meeting. Some families appear to be confused on what is owed and without the in person unpack the backpack night several families don't have regular payments set-up and have not made payment of initial fees. Ms. Alongi is working with Katie Carrol on communication to clear up.

11) Special Interest Group Reports:

- a. Boosters/AD Report – Dan reported. Monday, 9/21 all Athletic Directors are meeting to discuss procedures for holding sports and timing for when sports can begin.
- b. Home & School Association – see report
 - Last H&S meeting was Monday. Looking for opportunities to gain volunteers, maintain and build engagement during time of social distancing and limited physical involvement in the building.
 - Virtual Trivia scheduled for October 2nd.
 - Exploring alternative options for Trunk or Treat to keep interaction and support fundraising for Washington DC trip.
 - All items on the wish list from Starry Night have been fully funded.
- c. Teacher Representative – see report
 - Mrs. McCollum and Mrs. Mesick reported:
 - All teachers loving being back in school
 - Feeling like connection with those families doing home instruction also working fairly well.
 - Mock Trial and Robotics both moving forward virtually.
 - Student Council elections held – Food Bank will not be doing food drive this year so the student council is looking for alternatives for volunteer projects
 - Impressed at how well the students are doing with wearing masks.
- d. Scott County Catholic Schools Advisory Board – no report
- e. Assumption High School – no report

- f. Parish Council Report – no report
- g. School Improvement Advisory Committee – no report, meeting will be set prior to the next BOE meeting now that student council officers have been elected.

12) Religious Education Reports:

- Director of Faith Formation – see report
 - Still balancing ‘e-church’ with ‘in-church’ activity.
 - Religious ed going to be completed remotely, RE @ Home
 - Confirmation registrations for next year being sent this week

13) Board Committee Reports:

- a. Finance – no report, meetings begin in November
- b. Policy & Procedure – no report, looking at review schedule now
- c. Grant Writing – no report
- d. Public Relations / Marketing
 - Next meeting this coming week
 - Back to school video completed. Continuing to create opportunities for families to get a view in the school since in the building opportunities are limited with COVID.
 - Marketing teams focus is on maintaining family connection, especially with new families.
 - Facebook activity continues to have high interaction.
- e. St John Vianney Update
 - SJV re-looking at their parish constitution as well some of the committee’s purpose
 - Brian advocated for faith formation outreach to include Lourdes Catholic School, taking on the view of Bettendorf school vs. single parish.
- f. Executive – Committee Assignments
 - Tom M. and Ms. Alongi reviewing assignments and needs for each committee

14) Closing Prayer – offered by Fr. Jason

15) Adjourn Regular Session – Motion offered by Mark, Second by Tom Q., motion passed by board

16) Closed Session If Needed – N/A

17) Adjourn – Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm

Upcoming Meetings:

- Tuesday, October 27th, 2020, 6:00 PM
- Tuesday November 17th, 2020, 6:00 PM
- Tuesday December 15th, 2020, 6:00 PM