ST. MARY'S EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS COMMITTEE MINUTES

- A. Call to order by Mary Gangelhoff in the Auditorium at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2020.
 - 1. Prayer ~ Fr. Steffl led prayer.
 - Roll call ~ Present: Fr. Mark Steffl, Nikki Fischer, Blair Folkens, Randy Sellner, Sara Nosbush, Jenny Miller, Dan Davis, Mary Gangelhoff and Peter Roufs; Absent: Tricia Ericksen and Adam Armbruster; Guest: Matt Grausam
 - 3. June minutes were approved.
 - 4. August agenda was approved with the addition of C11, Dance Cooperative.
- B. Enrichment ~ None.
- C. Action Items
 - 1. Welcome/Election of Officers ~ Unanimous election of officers: Sara Nosbush, Chair; Blair Folkens, Vice Chair; and Tricia Ericksen, Secretary. Jenny Miller was welcomed as a new member of the committee.
 - 2. Review of Mission Statement and Philosophy ~ Reviewed the St. Mary's School Mission Statement and Philosophy along with the Diocesan and St. Mary's Church Mission Statements.
 - 3. Orientation ~ Reviewed the meeting calendar, committee guidelines and confidentiality statement.
 - 4. MNSAA Strategic Goal Plans ~ Mary Gangelhoff shared the report and goals.
 - 5. E & C Policies ~ Motion by Blair Folkens, second by Randy Sellner to accept the first reading of revisions to the policies, which include the tuition policy for St. Michael's families, release of student information, and grouping of grades due to the development of the middle school. Motion carried.
 - 6. Return to School Plan/Distance Learning/Online Learning ~ Motion by Randy Sellner, second by Jenny Miller to approve the Return to School Plan. This is a living document, subject to changes. Motion carried.
 - 7. 6th Grade Transition ~ Classrooms were rearranged, curriculum was adjusted and pretesting was done to assist in the transition to the middle school. Orientation for 6th and 7th graders will take place next week.
 - 8. New Hires ~ Karri Hoffmann, 2nd Grade; Jen Walter, Elementary PE/Health; Sabrina Portner, JH Science; Jennifer Fischer, JH Math and Theology; Nick Kaminsky, Social Studies; Andrea Rothmeier, 6th Grade; Sr. Mary Catherine, Theology; Ann Christensen, Counselor and Spanish
 - 9. Building Updates ~ Cabling is almost done; air conditioning will be completed by August 18th; new speaker system for the gym is being donated by Matt Lux in memory of Maria.
 - 10. High School Sports ~ The MSHSL cancelled football and volleyball for the fall. Two sessions will be held in the spring March-May for football and volleyball and May-July for the traditional spring sports.
 - 11. Dance Co-op ~ Motion by Nikki Fischer, second by Jenny Miller to join a dance cooperative with Sleepy Eye Public and Springfield. Motion carried.
- D. Staff Reports
 - 1. High School ~ accepted as written
 - 2. Grade School ~ accepted as written
 - 3. Religious Education ~ in school classes will begin on September 9th; the program will follow a new curriculum; First Communion for the third graders will take place on September 27th.
 - 4. Pastor/Superintendent ~ Fr. Steffl would like to have adult education and youth ministry, but they are difficult to plan with the current restrictions. That Man is You is scheduled to resume in September.
 - 5. Financial ~ Matt Grausam presented financials for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.
- E. Future Meeting Date ~ Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Auditorium.
- F. Adjournment ~ 7:00 p.m.
- G. Prayer ~ Fr. Steffl led prayer.