

## ST. MARY'S EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS COMMITTEE MINUTES

- A. Called to order by Sara Nosbush in the St. Mary's Parish Meeting Room at 5:31 p.m. on Tues., August 8, 2023
1. Prayer ~ Fr. Mark Steffl led prayer
  2. Roll call ~ Present: Sara Nosbush, Jenny Miller, Dan Braulick, Jamie Pietig, Amber Schroepfer, Fr. Mark Steffl, Matt Grausam and Peter Roufs  
Absent: Nikki Fischer, George Schwint, and Sam Rosemeier
  3. June minutes were approved.
  4. August agenda was approved
- B. ENRICHMENT ~ none
- C. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS
1. Mission Statement... reviewed with the Committee.
  2. Membership Guidelines... reviewed with the Committee.
  3. Election of Officers... Sara Nosbush, Chair; Jenny Miller, Vice Chair; Nikki Fischer, Secretary  
Motion Carried
  4. MNSAA Updates and Goals... Accreditation runs in a 7 year cycle; Self-study will be next year, 2024-25; Accreditation team review, 2025-26.  
2023-24 Goals:
    - 1) Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Handmaids will facilitate for Grades K, 1, 2)
    - 2) Physics class added as a High School course
    - 3) Adding sound systems & lighting in Auditorium
  5. CSCOE Updates... CSCOE helps with a wide variety of things. Grants provided to recruit, retain and reward teachers was applied for;
  6. Tomahawk Conference Update... (HANDOUT) Four recommendations were discussed; The Board recommended the choice to forge two conferences into one with the expectations that the AD's are working with many activities having divisions with a divisional championship game. Criteria will be established so that after a certain term, re-evaluation can take place where each original conference can consider to opt out of the merger.
  7. Building Updates... New sidewalk put in between football field & west side of the school, to help with the drainage; Roof repair done (patchwork items on the school roof); Re-keying the classrooms in the school; School elevator is up & running; Cleaning is going well, and is on schedule; Auditorium upgrades are in motion; School's southside foundation will be looked at and addressed due to water getting in the faculty room copier area; High School roof will be addressed in a few years;
- D. STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS
1. School~Peter reported that enrollment is similar to last year. There were 20 graduates, and there are currently 13 enrolled in Kindergarten, 21 in PreK-4 yr. olds and 6 in PreK-3 yr. olds; New staff members include Ben Moritz-High School Science, Mary Moritz-High School Math & Theology, Holly Simon-Elementary Music & Middle School Choir, Alexa Owens-1st Grade, Sara Schultz-School Nurse and Rebecca Rothmeier-Kitchen Staff; Mr. Lindsey Johnson will be introducing Robotics to the Elementary; MVAC Headstart (classroom rental) moved out to provide for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.
  2. Religious Education~ no report
  3. Pastor/Superintendent~Fr. Steffl reported that Adoration on Thursdays for students in the Church will take place; A policy is being formed by the diocese on the transgender issue for different entities (School, Religious Ed., etc.); 5th Grade server training has been done over the summer at morning Masses; Adult Education will be on Thursday nights (beginning Sept. 7th) featuring St. Paul's Letter to the Romans; The Caribbean Knight Party is back in February, on the 10th, with May 4th as the snow date; Fr. Steffl is very grateful to have all the staff we need to begin the school year;
  4. Financial~(HANDOUT)...Matt reviewed the consolidated budget with the committee.

E. FUTURE AGENDA

1. MEETING DATE: Tuesday, September 12, 2023, 5:30 p.m.  
St. Mary's Church Parish Meeting Room

2. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: None

F. PRAYER~ Fr. Steffl led prayer.

G. ADJOURNMENT~6:29 PM

Respectfully submitted, Marti Schroepfer