

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

- A. Called to order by Jenny Miller in the St. Mary's Parish Meeting Room at 5:34 p.m. on Tues., Nov. 12, 2024.
1. Prayer...Fr. Nathan Hansen
  2. Roll call ~ Present: Jenny Miller, Emily Krzmarzick, Victor Martinez, Jamie Pietig, George Schwint, Peter Roufs, Sara Nosbush  
Absent: Dan Braulick, Shelley Roufs, Fr. Craig Timmerman, Matt Grausam
  3. October minutes were approved
  4. November agenda was approved
- B. ENRICHMENT ~ none
- C. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS
1. Calendar changes - Prom and Graduation...Prom has been changed from April 26th to May 3rd; Graduation has been changed from May 25th to May 18th at 3:00 PM, and will remain off of Memorial Day weekend due to the Bishop's schedule.
  2. Form A and B - MSHSL...two grants are available that Bruce Woitas would apply for if granted the go ahead (leadership conference transportation and health & safety of student athletes). Motion carried.
  3. Letter of Intent - MNSAA...Peter summarized the process of Accreditation. The Letter of Intent (to seek renewal) was presented, and then the signatures that were needed were obtained. The members voted in favor of mailing the letter. Motion carried.
- D. STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS
1. School~ Mr. Roufs reported that the virtue of the month for November is Stewardship; He spoke of the great success of the fall sports teams, and had a special acknowledgement for senior, Noah Christensen who earned a spot at the State Cross Country meet; A donation was received from Scott Surprenant (Schwan's Foods employee), with the proceeds going to HS House activities. The annual cookie fundraiser for tuition that families can participate in will be sent home soon; The Marathon is almost at a record high of \$86,000.00; Monday, November 11th, a Veterans Day program was held at 9:00 AM; The high school musical this year (*The Little Mermaid*) will be performed Nov. 15-17th, with dress rehearsal on the 14th. Invitations to attend the dress rehearsal went out to St. Raphael's School-Springfield, St. Anne's School-Wabasso and some homeschool families. K-12 students also attended that day; The lunch program is in the process of being reviewed by MDE this Fall; The Middle School will have an Enrichment Day on Friday, December 6th, focusing on the medical field; Two consultants, one for Language Arts curriculum and one for NWEA test scores/data came and met with faculty.
  2. Religious Education~ Peter read Shelley's report...Virtus and vocation lessons have been completed. The 2nd parent meetings for Confirmation and First Reconciliation were held in late Oct./early Nov.; Pastry Puffin fundraiser orders are complete, with delivery on Nov. 20th. Estimated profits for the Religious Education program are \$1970.00 (17/40 families participating), which is near last year's profits of \$2028.00; Confirmation retreat will be held on Dec. 14th at St. Mary's Church/Social Room in Sleepy Eye.
  3. Pastor/Superintendent~none
  4. Financial~none
  5. Proposal to have additional college visit days for Seniors, so as to not count toward daily attendance.  
(TABLED)
  6. Volunteers/Employees for school...there was a discussion of the process of selection for employment.
- E. FUTURE AGENDA
1. MEETING DATE: Tuesday, December 10, 2024-CANCELLED;  
Tuesday, January 14, 2025, 5:30 p.m. St. Mary's Church Parish Meeting Room
  2. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:
- F. PRAYER
- G. ADJOURNMENT~ 6:16 PM