

ST. MARY'S EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS COMMITTEE MINUTES

- A. Called to order by Blair Folkens in the St. Mary's Social Room at 5:32 p.m. on Tues., Sept. 14, 2021
 - 1. Prayer ~ Fr. Mark Steffl led prayer.
 - 2. Roll call ~ Present: Fr. Mark Steffl, Blair Folkens, George Schwint, Randy Sellner, Nikki Fischer, Jenny Miller, Dan Davis, and Peter Roufs; Absent: Adam Armbruster, Sara Nosbush
 - 3. August minutes were approved.
 - 4. September agenda was approved. Welcome to George Schwint.
- B. Enrichment ~ none
- C. Action Items
 - 1. Policy Update (HANDOUT) ~ updated version was given to members
 - 2. COVID Update ~ Minimal cases in school. We are dealing mostly with parent cases and then deciding when their children can return; A general letter to those that were exposed along with a COVID fact sheet is emailed when a case is reported. The "subject" line notes which grade level/group is affected.
 - 3. Challenge grant (Shulze Foundation) update ~ \$25,000 is available if matched by "new" money. Possible uses include: Elementary Enrichment Program that would include things like robotics, language, astronomy, etc. A proposal will be sent soon with more details. Planning on doing two programs/year (4 lessons), with a 3 year cycle with other possible ideas being developed.
- D. Staff Reports
 - 1. School ~ 2 new students, enrollment is at 262.
 - 2. Religious Education ~ 1st day went well. Last day will be May 4th, 2022; Another 7th grade teacher is being looked for so Fr. Zach can visit other grades; Puffins Fundraiser is starting Sept. 22nd; Those that are receiving the following sacraments...Confirmation -23 (SMS 20), 1st Communion-30 (SMS 18)
 - 3. Pastor/Superintendent ~ Fr. Mark reported that the school elevator will be a future project (\$125,000); Marathon letters to Alumni are going well (a good connection to keep); Football fence & capital improvements are finished and are looking great.
 - 4. Financial ~ Matt will do reports quarterly.
 - 5. E & C Committees ~ members are grandfathered in (roles of Transportation, Budget, Dress Code, Recruitment, Policy Review), if they want to change, they may.
 - 6. Future Meeting Date ~ Tuesday, October 12, 2021 - 5:30 PM, Social Room
- E. Adjournment ~ 6:00 p.m.
- F. Prayer ~ Fr. Steffl led prayer.