ST. MARY'S EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS COMMITTEE MINUTES

A. Called to order by George Schwint in the St. Mary's Parish Meeting Room at 5:32 p.m., Tues., May 19, 2026.
   1. Prayer ~ Fr. Craig Timmerman led prayer
   2. Roll call ~ Present: George Schwint, Emily Krzmarzick, Dan Braulick, Peter Roufs, Shelley Roufs, Matt Grausam, Fr. Craig Timmerman
      Absent: Jenny Miller, Jamie Pietig, Matt Wagner, Victor Martinez
   3. *April minutes were approved (via email 5-27-26, as quorum was not met at the May meeting.*)
   4. May agenda was presented and discussed

B. ENRICHMENT ~ none

C. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS
   1. New board member..with Jenny Miller completing her second term, Samantha Armbruster has accepted the position. Dan Braulick is also staying on for another term.
      (Jamie Pietig has yet to respond, as was not present.)
   2. Possible travel to Rome… Monsignor Lozinski offered to take SMS High School students and 2026 alums over Christmas break, 2026. A presentation would be done near the end of May, and a letter would go out to parents.
   3. *Rental Fees…one change was moving personal mileage to $ .72.5 from $.70*
      (approved via email 5-27-26)
   4. Staffing updates…Brynn Mathiowetz, Sr. Cora Marie, Ben & Mary Moritz, LuAnn Schwint, Krista Heiderscheidt-volunteer, will not be returning. Karri Hoffmann will be taking Brynn's spot, as Resource teacher, and Math & Religion for 2nd & 4th Grade; Cheyenne Runck-Preschool; Beth Steffl-Kindergarten; Rachel Sickler-4th Grade; Ross Hebel-High School Science/Math; With the smaller Junior class, and how registration went, a High School Math teacher would be able to be absorbed for one year.
   5. *1st reading of policies… changes were presented and gone over the first time.*
      (approved via email 5-27-26)
      2nd reading of policies…(approved via email 6-17-27) only agenda item for June, so a meeting was not held
   6. *MSHSL Membership renewal approval…(approved via email 5-27-26)*

D. STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS
   1. School~Mr. Roufs reported that the virtue of the month for May is Courage: to face difficulties and persevere in the pursuit of good; Many summer activities will be offered at SMS, including Totus Tuus, Athletic & Robotics camps; Summer tutoring will be offered for those in grades K-8; A number of building improvements will be made, mostly related to the Elementary program changes/additions, and a new roof will be getting started soon for the High School…thanks to the many that contributed to the Fund-A-Need at the Caribbean Knight Party; Sleepy Eye Community Theater will be renting the Auditorium over the summer;
   2. Religious Education~ Shelley reported that the last day was May 6th. An Ice Cream Social was held and many parents attended. She also mentioned the great volunteers she has had over the years; 1st Communion was Sunday, May 3rd, and Sophomores have been given an application for Confirmation, and were interviewed by Fr. Timmerman;
   3. Pastor/Superintendent~Fr. Timmerman reported Totus Tuus participation is down, as there are so many opportunities for many activities over the summer; Fr. will be meeting with applicants for Rel. Ed. *(June update-Amanda Murphy has accepted the position)*; A youth ministry team is being formed to lead the events/interactions offered to high school students; Fr. will have a meeting to develop Evangelization in our parish family; A Church project meeting took place to plan what will be happening this summer…starting with pew transport to the Social Room June 8th…all things (masses, funerals) will continue to take place, just in a different space.
   4. Financial~Matt shared the financial & budget reports with the committee, noting that adult support is down; Fundraising has been great, as they have either met or exceeded the budget outlook; Matt also updated the committee on the retirement plan for employees. All employees working 20 hours or more, will be enrolled in a 403b account.

E. FUTURE AGENDA

1. MEETING DATE: Tuesday, August 11, 2026, 5:30 p.m. St. Mary's Church Parish Meeting Room (Tuesday, June 9, 2026-CANCELED due to lack of agenda items)
2. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

F. PRAYER~ Fr. Craig Timmerman led prayer.

G. ADJOURNMENT~ 6:42 PM

Respectfully submitted, Marti Schroepfer