



**CEDAR VALLEY**  
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

**Board of Education Minutes**

**December 03, 2020 - 5:30 p.m.**

**Blessed Maria Assunta Pallotta Middle School Art Room - Door #25**

**Elected/Appointed Board Members**

Father Scott Bullock	Pastoral Rep - Saint Edward	Present
Jeff Fitzpatrick	Elect - Queen of Peace	Present
Brian Holthaus	At Large – Blessed Sacrament	Present
Father Tony Kruse	Appointed Rep - Blessed Sacrament	Present
Bill Rhomberg	Elect - Saint Patrick	Present
Jake Schaefer	At Large - Saint Edward	Present
Al Schott	Elect - Saint Edward	Present
Mark Sinnwell	Elect - Sacred Heart	Present
Greg Stammeyer	Elect - Blessed Sacrament	Present

**In Attendance:**

**Staff**

Aaron Becker	Director of Elementary Programs	Present
Tanya Cutsforth	Operations & Human Resource Director	Present
Aaron Ferrie	BMAP Principal	Present
Tony Harrington	CHS School Administrator Manager	Present
Taylor Hotek	Activity Coordinator	Absent
Tom Novotney	Chief Administrator/Interim CHS Principal	Present
Jo Schwarz	Curriculum, Assessment, & Instruction Director	Absent
Sarah Smith	Advancement Director	Present
Jim Thielen	Finance Committee Chair	Present
Josh Van Besien	Business Manager	Present
	Waterloo Parish Faith Formation Representative	Absent

Guest:

**Call To Order:**

Mark Sinnwell called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

**Prayer:**

Prayer was led by Father Scott Bullock.

**Adjustments to the agenda/Approve the agenda: Tom N/Mark**

(Father Scott Bullock , Father Tony Kruse) Motion carried.

**Consent agenda:**

- November 05, 2020 Board minutes
- Consideration of Monthly Financials
- Consideration of Personnel: hires, reassignments, resignations, & terminations

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(Jake Schaefer, Greg Stammeyer) Motion carried.

**Information:**

1. CAPS Students - Tammy Wheeler , Lauren Coleman-virtual, Nate Clayberg - CAPS Rep

Tammy, Clay and past student Lauren Coleman gave a brief update of the CAPS program from last year and this current school year. The CAPS program in 19-20 had 7 associates. This current year has 6 associates.

2. EOY Arch report – Josh VanBesien

Josh gave the board a highlight of the EOY summaries from the Archdiocese of Dubuque annual reports. The summaries contain information over several years.

Trends noted:

- Tuition percentage for K-8 revenue is greater at our schools than other schools in the Archdiocese.
  - Revenue and enrollment drop collate.
  - Expenses are not decreasing due to compensation for staff and maintenance in older buildings.
  - Tuition is not equal to the cost to educate a pupil.
3. COVID19 update – Tom Novotney

Tom updated the high school is virtual this week and will be back in session on Monday, December 7th. Preschool through 8th grade remained in session. Numbers have been low in the school buildings. Guidance has been changed by the CDC and recommended by Black Hawk County Health.

4. & 5. 2021-2022 Budget considerations/Tuition Considerations – Jim Theilen/Josh VanBesien

Josh and Jim updated the board on considerations for budget and tuition. The board discussed options and directions for the finance committee to work on.

**Old business – Action Items:**

1. Revised 20-21 Winter Sports Spectator Guidelines – Tom Novotney

Tom noted a few changes from fall sports with the new restrictions. Currently two spectators per participant of the activity being held. Example: basketball player, wrestling The only difference between the NACL and CVCS will be the pep band will be able participate during the winter sports.

**New business – Action Items:**

**In-service:**

- Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizens; paragraphs 13-16 discussed were discussed. Paragraphs 17-20 will be discussed at the January meeting.

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**Adjournment:**

A Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:14 pm.  
(Father Scott Bullock, Jeff Fitzpatrick) Motion carried.

**Next meeting:**

**Next meeting:**

Thursday, January 07, 2021 - 5:30 PM

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Prayer – Brian Holthaus

Executive Board meeting – December 21, 2020 - 5:30 PM

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