



CEDAR VALLEY
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education Minutes

September 03, 2020 - 5:30 p.m.

Blessed Sacrament Assunta Pallotta 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	Absent
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	Absent
Aaron Ferrie	BMAP Principal	Present
Tony Harrington	CHS School Administrator Manager	Present
Taylor Hotek	Activity Coordinator	Present
Tom Novotney	Chief Administrator/Interim CHS Principal	Present /Zoom
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	Present

Guest: Michelle Ruden, Judy Bullis, Jeff Schnieder

Call To Order:

Mark Sinnwell called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Prayer:

Prayer was led by Father Tony Kruse.

Adjustments to the agenda/Approve the agenda

No adjustments.

Consent agenda:

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A motion to approve the consent agenda.
(Jeff Fitzpatrick, Bill Rhomberg) Motion Carried.

Information:

1. STO - Sarah Smith/Jeff Schneider
 - a. Sarah - how increase enrollment, we have funds
 - b. 67% of families received aid
 - c. 65% state of Iowa tax credit of donation
 - d. An amp up marketing in Facebook and Google marketing campaign, need more people to contribute, traditional mailings, working with local schools - personal connections
 - e. A new state level - cap from 15 million to 20 million
 - f. Corporate tax credits - areas of opportunities
2. Board Response to Columbus Catholic High School Name
 - a. Reflections will be finalized at the next executive meeting.
3. New Staff Slideshow – Sarah Smith
 - a. The slideshow will be placed on social media.
4. 2020-2021 Opening Day Enrollment (In Person/Virtual) – Tom Novotney
 - a. 802 is K-12, last year's bench number was 819.
 - b. Preschool 4 is down 33
 - c. 6th grade was 40-44 and increased to 59 students. An additional teacher was hired to help with numbers.
 - d. Busing and starting day before Waterloo Public saw increased absences at the start.

Old business – Action Items:

New business – Action Items:

1. Employee COVID 19 Handbook - Tom Novotney, Tanya Cutsforth
 - a. Every employee will get a copy to read and sign off.

A motion to approve the COVID 19 Employee Handbook.
(Jake Schaefer, Greg Stammeyer) Motion carried.

2. Waterloo Community School Voluntary Preschool Contracts 2020-2021 – Aaron Becker

A motion to approve the 2020-2021 Waterloo Community Schools Voluntary Preschool Contract.

(Fr. Scott Bullock, Greg Stammeyer) Motion carried.

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3. 2019-2020 Year End Financials – Josh Van Besien
 - a. Ended the year with a \$36,000 deficit overall.
 - b. K-12 surplus
 - c. The food service program operated at a deficit.

A motion to approve the 2019-2020 Year End Financials.
(Jeff Fitzpatrick, Bill Rhomberg) Motion carried.

In-service: Forming Faithful Citizens; 1st section, paragraph 1-6
Paragraph 7-12 in October

Adjournment:

A Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM.
(Jeff Fitzpatrick, Greg Stammeyer) Motion carried.

Next meeting:

Thursday, October 01, 2020 - 5:30 PM

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Prayer – Jeff Fitzpatrick

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

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