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ABERDEEN CATHOLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

School Board Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2024 3:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Joe Mehlhaff, Scott Madsen, Fr. Jordan Samson, Brenda Mitzel, Kristie Martin, Tom Cogley VP, Steve Lewno, Katie Peterson **Staff:** Tim Weisz, Niki Zikmund, Paula Florey, Tammy Kost, Billy Young, Rick Kline, Sara Lux, Patty Martin, Stephanie Litzen **Guests:** members of the Junior Class; Brody Weinmeister, Noah Kramer, Aiden Fisher, Ben Goebel, Kathryn Olivier, Cade Young, Elizabeth Lohman, Matayah Henrich, and freshman Kara Olivier

1. The January 10, 2024, meeting of the Aberdeen Catholic School System Board was called to order by President Joe Mehlhaff.

- a. Opening prayer was led by- Fr. Jordan Samson

2. CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda additions/corrections- there was no financial report presented.

Minutes additions/corrections- December minutes mark 6a, motion didn't carry.

Motion by Kristie Martin, second by Tom Cogley to approve the January 10, 2024 agenda, December 13, 2023 minutes with correction. Motion carried.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS (additions to previously submitted written reports)

- a. President's report- no additions
 - b. Principal's reports – Tammy added we are now at 44 registered kindergarteners.
 - c. Development report- no additions
 - d. Activities Director- Billy reported a camera was donated to the Journalism Dept. by the Henrich family.
 - e. Cabinet Report- Rick Kline gave a report on the activity of the development office. The third Roncalli Gathering will take place in Sioux Falls at Minerva's on February 7th. The Hall of Fame Banquet will take place this summer, July 26, during the Roncalli All School Reunion.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Administrative/Education Planning – next meeting 1/24/24. Minutes were sent to the board members.
 - b. Buildings & Grounds –met 1/3/24, minutes were sent to the board members.
 - c. Marketing/Recruitment/Development –next meeting 5/8/24.
 - d. Finance- met 1/3/24, minutes were sent to the board members.

5. ACTION ITEMS-

- a. Approve second reading of policy 007.2, Holiday's for Full Time Employees.

Motion by Scott Madsen, second by Brenda Mitzel to approve second reading of policy 007.2, Holiday's for Full Time Employees. Motion carried.

- b. Approve first reading of policy 008.1 Dress Code.

Motion by Katie Peterson, second by Scott Madsen to approve first reading of policy 008.1, Dress Code with noted revisions. Motion carried with 6 in favor and 2 opposed.

- a. Approve first reading of the 2024-2025 Academic Calendar.

Motion by Tom Cogley, second by Steve Lewno to approve first reading of the 2024-2025 Academic Calendar. Motion carried.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Tim and Brenda shared a few items before the SD Legislature.
 - i. House Bill 1011 requires all junior students to take the ACT.
 - ii. House Bill 1042- free/reduced meals would all be free for those that income qualify.
 - iii. Senate Bill 2- distinguishes how much high school credit is given for dual credit courses.
 - iv. Parental Bill of Rites- no specific bill has been filed.
 - v. Other issues covered: library policy, SD Partners in Education cap, and Decline to Sign.
- b. Rise Up Roncalli Chapel Project Update
 - i. A benefactor came forward with a 100,000 donation for this effort
- c. Tim gave an update on the 2024-2025 budget planning.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Motion by Kristie Martin, seconded by Katie Peterson to move into executive session at 4:56 pm.
- b. Motion by Brenda Mitzel, seconded by Steve Lewno to move out of executive session at 5:24 pm.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Kristie Martin, second by Scott Madsen to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m. Motion carried.

Closing Prayer led by Scott Madsen

NEXT MEETING- Next meeting is February 21, 2024

Recorded by Niki Zikmund