

Immaculate Conception School Advisory Council Minutes

Tuesday, September 26, 2023
Conference Room, IC School
6:30-7:45 pm

Attendees:

Heather Schrimpf, Fr. Matt, Jake Rodemann, Carla Brown, Jennifer McBaine, Danielle Juliette, Teresa Bullock
Absent: Lora Boessen, Tina Bernskoetter, Angela Branson

Opening Prayer

- Fr. Matt called the meeting to order with prayer.

Approval of Minutes

- The August minutes were approved and signed without change.

Pastor's Report

- Fr. Matt reported classroom visits are being conducted once a week.
- Ministry Scheduler Pro mobile app is going very well.
- He reinforced the School Advisory Council needs to be the voice/champion of stewardship and there is much discerning to be done.
- Architects visited school last month; lots of dialogue occurred. Following review of original plan, it has been determined building of a new school is the better option for future. The two main buildings have served their purpose.

Principal's Report

- SW PBS: Teachers will be conducting a universal screening on each student in their class. This tool will assist staff identify students who may be at risk. Results of these screenings will be used to guide prevention efforts in school.
- Achievement testing is scheduled for October 2-6 for grades 3-8.
- Heather discussed Title Funding
 - 2A - \$10,000+ for professional development
 - 4 - \$4,323 for social/emotional health and wellness
 - EANS 2A – will be utilizing procurement for Haggerty, a phonemic awareness program. There will also be discussion on handwriting programs and resources in the primary department to assist with fine motor skills.
- November 6, Professional Development Day will focus on differentiated instruction for students with ADHD, Anxiety and Dyslexia; collaboration with regional schools on “take aways” + curriculum (vertical alignment with middle schools and Helias).
- Canned food drive is October 16-19; continue to offer incentives for students who bring in certain number of items (such as dress down pass) and largest donation will receive a lunch with the principal.
- End of the quarter is October 13; parent/teacher/student conferences are scheduled for October 26.
- Red Ribbon Week is the last week of October. Students will be provided red ribbons to wear and student council is working on themed days. More information to be sent out soon.
- Heather handed out the income statement and reviewed.
- Fine Arts nights will be held on November 16th for grades 1-4 and April 25th for grades 5-8.

Old Business

- Bulk School Supplies
 - Possibilities for bulk school supplies purchasing was discussed with office/admin staff.
 - A determination needs to be made on specific items to be purchased. Will revisit after Christmas.
- School Improvement Process
 - Self-Study Kick Off meeting is scheduled for October 4 at 6:30pm in the school cafeteria.
- School Ambassador Family Idea
 - Heather distributed a brochure from St. Martin's regarding their family mentoring program which was implemented this year.
 - Council members discussed and asked to reflect on this opportunity for our school. To be revisited at a later date.

Standing Committee Reports

- Athletic
 - Cross Country and volleyball are going very well.
- Technology
 - Five desktops were purchased. Two teachers have received their replacement desktops.
- Home & School/Fundraising
 - Carla reported the Mother/Son event was well attended.
 - Some discussion about potentially offering a family fun night in the future.
- Long-Range Planning
 - Visioning committee met with architects and the next step is to meet with the diocese.

New Business

- Discussion occurred regarding afternoon dismissal procedures to reduce traffic issues in lower parking lot and surrounding streets. Jake suggested moving fourth graders to the upper lot for dismissal. Heather to review possibilities and discuss at next meeting.

Closed Session??

- Nothing to note.

Closing and Announcements

- No announcements.

Prayer and Adjournment

- Danielle distributed a packet of prayers for binders. We ended the meeting in group prayer. Meeting ended at 7:45 pm.

*Teresa
Bullock*

Danielle Y. Guillette

Heather Schirmer