

REGINA INTER-PARISH CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Tuesday, November 24, 2020

Virtual meeting via Google Meet

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**I. Call to Order**

- a. Opening Prayer by Fr. Witt.
- b. Roll Call – (absent members in parenthesis):
  - i. Ellen Abusada, Fr. Adam, Fr. Beckman, Chris Clark, Andy Cutter, (Lisa Dutchik), Patrick Gavin, Annette Goodheart, Sue Kloos, Scott Nibaur, Melinda Shetler, Fr. Sia, Angela Villhauer, Jason Wagner, Todd Waikel, Alaina Welsh, Fr. Witt.
  - ii. Ex-Officio Members Present – Glenn Plummer, Celeste Vincent, Pam Schowalter, Kecia Boysen, Kelly Starr, Tim Foley, Carolyn Brandt, Stacy Sueppel, Julie Rhomberg
  - iii. Members of the Audience – Matthew Fettkether and Joan DePrenger from Run for the Schools
- c. Chairperson Remarks – by Melinda Shetler.
  - Wishes to all for a happy Thanksgiving.
- d. Approval of Minutes –
  - o October 27, 2020 - Regular meeting minutes
  - o Motion to approve by Witt. Second by Abusada. All in favor with correction of Kindergarten Round Up date to be February 18<sup>th</sup> (virtually).
- e. Approval of Agenda –
  - o Motion to approve by Witt. Second by Goodheart. All in favor.
- f. Open to the Audience – Presentation by Run for the Schools
  - Check presented to Regina for \$4,002.43 by Joan DePrenger.
  - All grade levels participated in the virtual run this year.
  - Next year's race will be October 24, 2001.

**II. Administration Reports**

- a. Elementary Report – Details in the distributed BOE packet. Additional comments by Mrs. Vincent unless otherwise noted:
  - Four classes have had to pivot to on-line learning since the start of the school year.
  - Cannot say enough about the tremendous efforts by all the staff.
  - A wait list is in place for elementary enrollment next year.
  - Community members have been calling to tell Regina how impressed they are with the efforts at the school.
  - Note the real time COVID tracker that is now active on the Regina website. Thanks to Shane Schemmel for creating this added source of information for our families.
  - Many positive comments from parents about how parent-teacher conferences went.
  - If anyone can secure disinfecting wipes for the school while out shopping, we would be very grateful.
  - Some discussion of possibly sending out a survey to on-line learners and families.

- b. JH/SH Report – Details in the BOE packet. Additional comments by Mr. Plummer:
    - Christmas Basket Project is still taking place this year despite the additional hurdles. 15 families in need are participating.
    - Teachers are doing a fantastic job.
    - This semester has proven that the current mode of on-line instruction, with one teacher leading both the in-person students and the on-line students at the same time, is not a good long-term option after COVID restrictions end. Possibly explore having a dedicated on-line teacher.
    - Congratulations to the Regina football team on winning the State Championship!
    - NO SPREAD of COVID at Regina so far! All positive cases have contracted outside of the school.
    - A reported positive case requires almost a total dedication of time by the principal and assistant principal for an entire day. This makes dealing with other issues during that day a significant challenge.
    - Still looking for additional classroom aids and substitute teachers to help out.
    - Discussion with BOE about the mental health of students and the staff's efforts to check-in with both in-person and on-line students. Teachers are checking in with on-line students whose parents have tested positive as well.
  - c. Enrollment Report – Details in the BOE packet. Additional comments by Pam Schowalter:
    - The Kindergarten Round-Up will be February 18, 2021.
    - Currently working on a couple of international applications.
    - Introduction/Orientation to Junior High and High School will be done via a video this year instead of in-person. More work on this to continue after Thanksgiving break.
  - d. Business Office –
    - Villhauer noted she continues to communicate regularly with Alan as he monitors the budget and the extra COVID expenses.
    - The budget discussion for the next school year will begin soon.
  - e. Religious Education – Report in the BOE Packet. Additional comments by Carolyn Brandt:
    - Another good packet pickup.
    - Packet included Indian Corn craft.
    - Things continue to go well.
    - Big thank you to Shelly Rublatius for all her help in getting the packets together.
  - f. Regina Foundation – Report in the BOE packet. Additional comments by Kecia Boysen:
    - Year-end mailing just went out.
    - Currently on pace with Excellence Fund goal compared to this time last year.
  - g. Boosters, PISA, Home & School – Committee Reports
    - Booster report in the packet.
- III. **OLD BUSINESS** –
- a. Plan to vote on the Booster By-Laws at the January BOE meeting. Awaiting a legal opinion on entity formation status.
- IV. **NEW BUSINESS** – None

**V. CALENDAR AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

a. Note there is no December BOE meeting

**VI. CAPITAL CMAPIGN UPDATE –**

- Waiting for the parking lot to be completed and the Pre-K design discussions are on-going.

**VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS –** In the BOE packet

- Health and Safety - Sue Kloos reminding all to keep immunizations updated and for all to take time to care for themselves.

**VIII. MEETING SCHEDULE –** no changes - See BOE packet for current schedule

**IX. CLOSING PRAYER –** by Fr. Adam

**X. EXECUTIVE SESSION –** 7:23 PM

**XI. OPEN SESSION –** 7:39 PM

- o Motion to approve the slate of coaches presented by Plummer:

- Steve Pacha - Head Baseball
- Mary Halvorson - Head Girls Basketball
- Paige Besler - F/S Girls Basketball
- Mark Besler - Asst Girls Basketball
- Doug Vollstedt - 8th Girls Basketball
- Kevin Kahler - 7th Girls Basketball
- Dylan Sloan - 9th Boys Basketball
- Jeremy Brooks - JV Boys Basketball
- Doug Vollstedt - 7th Boys Basketball
- Greyson Dumont - Asst Dance & Cheer
- Zach Ries - Head Wrestling
- Dustin Elsbury - Asst Wrestling
- Jacob Koch - JH Wrestling
- Kile Beaver - Asst Wrestling

Made by Welsh, second by Shetler

All in favor

- o Motion to offer the Director of Finance position to Marilou Vardeman

Made by Welsh, seconded by Witt. All in favor.

**XII. Adjournment –** 7:42 PM

- o Motion to adjourn by Fr. Witt. Second by Shetler.

All in favor

Respectfully Submitted by  
Alaina Welsh  
BOE Secretary