

REGINA INTER-PARISH CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Tuesday, August 24, 2021
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

- I. Call to Order – 6:40 PM
 - a. Opening Prayer by Fr. Sia.
 - b. Roll Call – (absent members in parenthesis):
 - i. Ellen Abusada Fr. Adam, (Fr. Beckman), Julie Beard, Chris Clark, Andy Cutter, Lisa Dutchik, Sue Kloos, Amy Lynch, Scott Nibaur, Fr. Sia, (Angela Villhauer), Ryan Wade, Jason Wagner, Todd Waikel, Alaina Welsh, Fr. Witt.
 - ii. Ex-Officio Members Present –
Celeste Vincent, Glenn Plummer, Pam Schowalter, Kecia Boysen, Kelly Starr, Tim Foley, Marilou Vardeman, Carolyn Brandt, Michelle Goldsmith, Taylor Hotek, Joy Kelly
 - iii. Members of the Audience –
Matt Stabb
 - c. Chairperson Remarks – by Andy Cutter
 - 1. Reminder to send your BOE committee commitments for this year to Andy or Alaina. Each BOE member needs to actively serve on at least one committee each year.
 - d. Approval of Minutes –
 - o Approve July 27, 2021 – Regular Meeting Minutes
Motion to approve by Clark. Second by Abusada. All in favor
 - e. Approval of Agenda –
 - o Motion to approve Agenda by Nibaur. Second by Wagner. All in favor.
 - f. Open to the Audience – No comments
- II. NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION –
 - a. BOE Orientation will begin at 5 PM on Tuesday, September 28, 2021, in the MPR. We will begin with a facility tour and the presentation portion will begin at 5:30 followed by our regularly scheduled BOE meeting at 6:30.
 - b. Introduction of Ryan Wade, replacing Anette Goodheart as the representative from St. Thomas Moore.
- III. OLD BUSINESS DISCUSSION – NONE
- IV. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – see BOE packet
 - a. Elementary Report – Additional comments by Mrs. Vincent:
 - 1. Off and running with the new school year. Two days down!
 - 2. Julie Rhomberg will be the elementary representative to the BOE again this year.
 - 3. We honor tonight Ray Pechous who passed away and his funeral was yesterday. Ray served as elementary principal, chief administrator, and jr./sr. high principal for our center. He was a true visionary leader. We are sitting around these tables today due to Ray and his leadership for Regina. Father Chuck did a beautiful service for him yesterday. Glenn, Joy, and Celeste were all hired by Ray Pechous, and he "helped" to get us into administration. He was responsible for getting the preschool up and running. He also directed our first bell choir. Ray was a positive influence at Regina for so many years and was always dedicated to the students. He will be greatly missed.
 - b. JH/SH Report – Report in the packet. Additional comments by Mr. Plummer:

1. Homecoming week will be the week of September 13th. Currently in the early planning stages for activities that week.
 2. Off to a great start to the new school year.
 3. Mr. Foley and Mr. Plummer acknowledged Ray Pechous as being both a great mentor and friend. They both credit him with them becoming school administrators at Regina.
- c. Enrollment Report – See BOE packet. Additional comments by Pam Schowalter:
1. There have been a couple of additional exits from Regina since the report in the BOE packet. Two 12th graders left for public school and one kindergartener deferred to next year.
 2. Student ambassadors have done a tremendous amount of work this past month. Over 75 hours of volunteer time and 33 students helped to relocate the pre-K classrooms.
 3. China and Vietnam have stopped all students who intended to come to Regina due to Iowa's increasing COVID cases. We don't anticipate any new foreign admissions until the '22-'23 school year at the earliest.
- d. Business Office – See BOE packet. Additional comments by Marilou Vardeman:
1. Please see the Key Statistics report in the packet.
 2. Data from Fall Fun Festival that was this past weekend is not available yet. Expect preliminary numbers by this Friday.
- e. Religious Education – See BOE packet. Additional comments by Carolyn Brandt
1. Registrations are coming in slowly.
 2. Will start classes mid-September.
 3. Registration packets are available at all parishes.
 4. A new parents' class will be offered once each month on a Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:30. This class will be led by Fr. Sia at Regina.
- f. Regina Foundation – Report in BOE packet. Additional comments by Kecia Boysen:
1. Since the report in the packet, the Foundation Board has voted to direct the \$32K surplus to the Teacher Endowment Fund.
 2. The Foundation has also decided to increase the annual Excellence Fund goal to \$475K for this year.
- g. Boosters, PISA, Home & School – None
- V.** CALENDAR- See BOE packet.
- VI.** CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE – See BOE packet information by Foundation.
- VII.** COMMITTEE REPORTS –
1. Strategic Planning Committee did not meet during August but will reconvene September 9th, when Catholic School Management, our strategic planning partner, will be on campus to begin our strategic planning process.
 2. Catholic Identity Committee began discussions on the need to provide teachers with additional Catholic training.
- VIII.** MEETING SCHEDULE – See BOE packet for current schedule.
1. NOTE – Health and Safety Committee will meet via ZOOM in September.
- IX.** CLOSING PRAYER – by Fr. Adam
- X.** EXECUTIVE SESSION – 7:15 PM
- Motion to enter Executive Session by Fr. Adam. Second by Scott Nibaur. All in favor
- XI.** Open Session – 7:47 PM

- Motion to go back into open session made by Fr. Adam. Second by Clark. All present in favor.
- Motion to approve contract for hire of new elementary resource teacher, Amber McCormick. Made by Clark. Second by Lynch. All in favor.
- Motion to approve high school coaching contracts and drama director presented by Taylor Hotek for the following: Jacob Heitman – XC, Mark Dalton - JH FB, Cole White – FB, Angela Kessler – SB, Lyndi Vantiger – SB, Isabelle True - SB, Matt Falduto - Drama. Made by Clark. Second by Wade. 14 in favor, one opposed (Nibaur).

XII. Adjournment – 7:52 PM

- Motion to adjourn by Clark. Second by Fr. Adam. All in favor

Respectfully Submitted by
Alaina Welsh
BOE Secretary