

Queen of the Rosary School Board December 6, 2022

Attending: Kathy McGinn, Father Dan Folwaczny, RJ Gomez, Robyn Axberg, Dana Arciniegas, Tim Francl, Shane Boyle, Cheri Cage, Peter Kokenes, Kari Gbur, Peter Meister

Absent:

Guest: John Maher, Annie Castellanos

Time: 7:04 p.m.

Welcome

- Opening Prayer – Fr. Dan

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes from October 11, 2022 meeting (with corrections) were approved unanimously.

Administrator's Summary Report (Ms. McGinn)

- See attached report
- Enrollment / Recruiting:
 - o 1 family moved – two kids out. Now 230 students enrolled.
 - o How many students can we have – keep to under 25 per class for lower grades, 30 for older. Some families interested (difficulty with demographics at Link and others)
 - o Unfortunate families are leaving – for reasons unrelated to
 - o Pre-school event – low turnout – but lots of interest from those attending (only about 4 families). Student council gave tours.
- Rivers Casino burning off – work with text book companies

Tuition (Shane)

- Short update – working to eliminate payroll issues and bring in accounting help (private sector firm or arch accountant).
- Need to get some books in order
- In the future, will be able to kick out projections

Parents Club & Gala Update (Dana)

- Gala: Mar. 4 date
 - o Save the date (with RSVP form)
 - o Asking families to RSVP by January 20 – to get an idea of how many we need to sell
 - o Date is set for March 4 (not March 11) at Chandlers in Schaumburg
 - o Capacity: Room holds just over 300 (but would be tight).
- Parent Club:
 - o Santa's shop next week
 - o Daddy Daughter dance in November
 - o Pictures with Santa event was lovely – folks had fun.
 - o Easy to add parish announcements for school events to help with event turnout.

Strategic Planning Committee (Brian)

- Give Smart platform – Brian's wife works for community brands (parent company)
 - o Working to gather data (with sales person) to get more information
 - o What are our needs – including fundraising and others (to get more leverage) – like

FACTS. Asking for e-mail from participants to discuss issues with current platform + additional future needs. For example, can be used to track service hours. Track a thon? Routine (monthly) giving.

Boosters Update (Cheri Cage)

- Not much to report. Christmas order is in. Typically make a few \$1K.
- Stadium chairs. 18 of 22 are sold
- Basketball still coming in.

Chairperson Report (RJ)

- Grand Raffle Tickets – see separate report.
 - Sold a little bit less than last year. Close to final numbers. Overall made \$33,265.
 - Former school families sold (ie: July McCormack, Gwen DeLutio) and Carol Uhlrich,
- Open House
 - Coming up next month. Need committee to start promoting – need to get it together really quick! Maybe GiveSmart landing page (and maybe for registration / data collection).
- Marketing – use open house as kickoff for remainder of year. Work hard – slogans, creative ideas to set us apart from public schools. Use “Stronger Together” [since we’re not splitting families like our public school counterparts]. Possible to do shadow day? We come back the 5th – maybe Wed. 11th (registration is 29th). Maybe advertise a few “Shadow Wednesdays” –11th, 18th, 25th (TBD).
 - Use Newport Publishing
 - Get lots of returns – need to clean up lists. [Lots of work to be done. (Fr. Dan)]

Pastor Comments (Fr. Dan)

- Resource – worksheets with discussion questions that went home with families. Help guide families – how do we get more out of the mass. Conversation starters. We have license to print and distribute or electronic distribution. Will see pretty regularly. It’s in Ms. McGinn’s newsletter as well.
- Website: Formed.org. Can log in – parish has subscription and all parishioners can use.
- Lots of stuff going on in the parish: Advent book and calendar of events. Written by one of the parishioners.
- Immaculate Conception (holy day of obligation). Lots of celebrations coming (Our Lady of Guadalupe), Retreat, family movie night, lots of work to do – reconciliation today. 14th at QR for reconciliation for parish. Sunday has lessons and Carols. Lots to do during the advent season to prepare for Christmas.

Adjourn – 9:00

Next meeting: Tuesday is Feb. 14. [Maybe do Feb. 7 instead? Work to set via e-mail]
Can do extra meeting Jan. 10 if needed for open house.