

School Board Minutes

11/9/2021

Kara Hobgood, Jennifer Shultz, Chuck Brawner, Christine Koenig, Miranda Wantland, Fr. Jason, Laura Krill, Amanda Wolz, Allyn Simpson (observation hours), Melissa Miller, Tina Carraro, Kathy Wood

A Leaf (reflection)

Sharing positive stories/celebration about our month.

Review and approval of minutes for October, approved.

Parish/Staff Liaison: Amanda Wolz present to present Pre-K and Preschool report (see attached report)

- Pre-Covid ratios from 2019 to 2020 and now in 2021
- Had to take less students during Covid due to ratio being lower
- Ratios went back up in 2021 from 1:12-1:14.
- Currently at 108 students, max capacity
- 7 children currently on waiting list
- New curriculum: Connect 4 Learning: builds on skills and culminates into a project
- Licensed for 261 students (including after school care)
- Employee retention has been difficult in preschool and after school care
- Have an association with Fern Creek High School early education STEM program to have help in the program. 17y/o's in this program are still requiring supervision
- Debbie Garcia is instructional coach to teach the teacher's the new curriculum and monitor students that are in high school program.
- Consider Junior-K with bridged tuition rate (in 5yr plan) to not make families feel like they need to go straight into K

Principal's Report (see attached)

- Enrollment 640 with pre-K
- See vital statistics report (attached)
- Covid Updates:
 - Decreasing trend
 - Archdiocese considering going mask optional in the coming months. Some surrounding districts (Oldham co will be mask optional at the end of Nov.)
 - Archdiocese will release updates on Covid protocols next week.
 - High Schools make their own decisions regarding mask wear
 - Consider sending out communication to parents that we are working on a plan once Archdiocese releases updates.

- Marketing/Admissions
 - Would like to resume in person tours
 - Families want in-person tours
 - No opposition from School board members for in-person tours
 - Current families that want to tour are non-parishioners
- Move up deadlines about a month for registration
- Working on streamlining application process for kindergarten families.
- Open registration window on November 30 (was January)
- Suggest bringing special attention to this date in the communication
- Suggest asking teachers to send out in direct communication to families

PTSO:

Money raised was closer to \$36,000 (extra money raised may go to classroom furniture and cafeteria)

Shout out to Melissa on organization for Walk-a-thon

Father/Daughter Dance: will Covid guidelines allow for a dance that can be done safely, The dance will take place, but may look different due to Covid.

****No School Board meeting in December.**

MAP :

- RIT scores can be compared across grade levels
- 65th percentile and above is goal
- The mean RIT score increased in every grade level year over year
- Math is focus for improvement and has been target for instructional improvement
- Language arts is highest achieving area

Considerations that play into scores:

- See principles report

How are we helping the teachers and students close the gap?

- A professional development goal was to focus on helping every student reach their goals
- Put focus back on learning and not just completing class work. Engaging the students to be motivated to learn and not just check the box to get the grade.
- Faculty using “Teach Like a Pirate” teaching strategies.
- Junior High math was concern, but there has been a teacher change and this will hopefully help.
- College and Career readiness is to get every student to the 65th percentile

Students want to do something for Veteran’s Day: Kara would like to do some social media recognition. Red, White and Blue, Army Green dress down day to observe the holiday. Have someone come in to talk

about experience in the military - Have done cards in the past for veterans. 4th grade did make veteran's day cards for Father to give out at mass.

Father suggests a "dress Up" day to honor and recognize veterans on a Facebook live page.

Father states that the entire parish will get a mailing for advent that will include a survey for a 5-year plan for the campus.

- A paper survey and a QR code to complete survey will be included.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm