

**St. Mary Catholic Schools
Board of Trustees Agenda
Wednesday, March 19th, 2025
6:30pm- SMCS Administrative Offices**

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Opening Prayer and Review of Mission Statement 	Kristen Bergstrom
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Open Forum 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consent Resolution Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Minutes of February 2025 BOT Meeting ● Minutes of March 2025 Governance Meeting ● Minutes of March 2025 Executive Committee Meeting 	Patti Purcell
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Presentation on SMCS Investments (10 Minutes) ● Update on Advancement Department (10 Minutes) 	Lance Ernsting Kathleen McCurdy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● President's Report (15 Minutes) 	Dan McKenna
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Finance Update (5 Minutes) 	Bill Bittner
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Governance Committee Update (5 Minutes) 	Meghan Healy-Tealing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Old Business (5 Minutes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Follow-up to February Open Forum Presentation ○ Follow up on Uniform policy 	Dan McKenna
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● New Business (5 Minutes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Board of Directors Meeting, April 9th, 2pm 	Kristen Bergstrom
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Executive Session 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Closing Blessing 	

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Attendees: Dan McKenna, Patti Purcell, Bill Bittner, Fr. Judah, Meghan Healy, Fr. Bob Kollath, Leila Moussai, Kristen Bergstrom, Dave Dewitt, Fr. Michael Lightner, Fr. Nonnito

Absent: Troy Noel, Kaydee Ruppert, Ryan Valentine, Paul Seveska

Guests in attendance: Christine Cedergren, Colleen Post and Raisa Ramos

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Opening Prayer and Review of Mission Statement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kristen adjourned the meeting at 6:36 pm and led the group in prayer. 	Kristen Bergstrom
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Open Forum: 6:38 - 6:48 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Christina Cedergren presented concerns and made suggestions regarding the Vex/STEM program. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consent Resolution Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patti motioned to approve the minutes of January 2025 BOT Meeting. Ron seconded. The motion passed. ○ Minutes of the December 2024 Athletic Committee Meeting, the February 2025 Governance Meeting, the February 2025 Catholic Identity Meeting and the February 2025 Executive Committee Meeting were provided for review as well. 	Patti Purcell

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SMCS Academic Excellence Presentation on iReady test results - 7:00-7:20 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Justina Plemon presented iReady test results. ○ iReady is a software designed to inform student performance relative to standards. The test is administered at specific points in the year and results are used to inform teaching and learning. ○ Results are available by individual, grade and school K-8. ○ iReady creates learning plans for each child and has individual logins so families can access learning remotely as well as working on them while at school. ○ Overall SMCS is very pleased with iReady. 	<p>Justina Plemon</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Presidents Report - 7:20-7:55 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Update on Open Positions . ○ Uniform Policy Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dan updated the BOT on the communications received following the announcement of the new uniform policy. ■ The new Policy will be paused until additional feedback can be received from families in SMCS. ○ Advancement Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Overall Advancement report very good ■ BOT requested to add alumni to the report ■ BOT requested the report to show endowed monies received not just pledges. 	<p>Dan McKenna</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Governance Committee Update - 7:55-8:00 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Meghan provided a brief update on the number of candidates in the BOT pipeline and made one more request for all current BOT members to provide recommendations on new members if they haven't yet been received. ○ SMCS President Review planning discussion 	<p>Meghan Healy</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Athletic Committee Update - 8:00-8:02 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March Madness raffle tickets are printed and need to be sold at upcoming events. ○ GZO planning kicked off Feb 19th. 	<p>Dave DeWitt</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Strategic Plan Update - 8:02-8:05 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Initiation of strategic plan update for School Year 2025-2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Leila reported that meetings would occur in April and May and that scheduling was underway. ■ They will be scheduling separate groups by pillar and will end with one capstone meeting to review all. ■ Father Bob mentioned adding a goal of increasing Mass attendance by 10%. 	<p>Leila Mousai</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Old Business - 8:05-8:13 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Follow-up to January Open Forum Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dan briefed the Board on new coaching candidates for VEX in Fall. He also mentioned that SMCS may look to host Camp Invention in the Summer and that we will be building an Innovation Lab in the Middle School next year. ○ Diocesan Update 	<p>Kristen Bergstrom/ Dan McKenna</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● New Business-8:13-8:20 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussion on open forum etiquette <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The Board had a discussion about open forum etiquette. In the future, the Board will use the Executive Session to discuss any future Open Forum presentations that night and follow-up with the Open Forum attendees will be done by the Administrator or a Committee Chair (if it is something pertinent to a Committee) in a timely manner. 	<p>Kristen Bergstrom</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Executive Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ron motioned for the Board to move to Executive Session at 8:22 pm. Dave seconded and the motion carried. ○ Patti moved to exit Executive Session at 8:34 pm. Dave seconded and the motion carried. ○ No action was taken in Executive Session. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Closing Blessing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ron moved to adjourn at 8:34 pm and Dave seconded. 	

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Ron moved to return to Executive Session at 8:35 pm. Dave seconded. Motion carried.○ Megan moved to exit Executive Session at 8:40 pm. Dave seconded. Motion carried.○ No action was taken in Executive Session #2.○ Ron moved to adjourn again at 8:41 pm. Dave seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm. | |
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