



BISHOP HEELAN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

A LIFETIME ADVANTAGE

Board of Education Meeting Minutes
April 15, 2025
Administration Office

Members Present: Ben Uhl, Fr. Brad Pelzel, Joe Malsam, Dan Kriener, Jennifer Rose Bass, Jacki Kelly, Fr. Randy Schon, Nick Hegarty, Fr. David Esquiliano, Brent Olson, Fr. Tim Friedrichsen, Rick Bertrand, Rhonda Bridges

Absent Members: None

Staff Present: John Flanery, Kelsey Schomaker, Marisa O'Connell, Mary Fischer, Principal at Mater Dei, Erin Chute, Principal at Sacred Heart

1. Opening Prayer – Fr. Tim Friedrichsen
2. Approval of March Board Meeting Minutes
 - Motion by: Jennifer Rose Bass
 - Seconded by: Fr. David Esquiliano
 - All in Favor: Aye
3. Guests
 - Mary Fischer, Principal at Mater Dei
 - School Highlights
 - 3rd & 4th graders meet with Dubuque Nuns
 - Family groups for faith sharing after Thursday mass
 - Adopt families at Christmas
 - Then Feed Just One participation
 - Special guests – Bandits, Jim Tillman with NAACP, Jacob Bossman
 - Quiz bowl participation (186 quizzes were taken, 90% passed)
 - Erin – Principal at Sacred Heart
 - Faith
 - Crusader of the Month (recognized for virtues)
 - Carlos Acutis Canonization Celebration
 - Family
 - Diversity Committee - Connecting with other cultural groups
 - Knowledge
 - Collaboration with Sioux City regarding IEP students
 - STEM – Curriculum, Instruction, and Awards
 - Service
 - Morning buddies - partner older children with younger children
 - Visit Holy Spirit Nursing Home once a month
 - Won KTIV contest – prize is trip to Arnolds Park
4. Committee Reports
 - a. Academics – Joe Malsam
 - Did not meet