

**Sacred Heart School Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**April 22, 2026**  
**6:30pm – 7:30pm**  
**School Library**

Welcome (5 minutes)

Opening Prayer (5 minutes)

Our Mission (1 minute)

- Sacred Heart School is a Catholic community of faith, service, and academic excellence.
  - Mission statement should be clear enough that the community (teachers, students, and parents) knows it and can communicate what Sacred Heart embodies.
  - Parish and School Mission statements can be different.

Approval of Minutes (5 minutes)

- March 4, 2026

Parish Updates (5 minutes)

- Parish Family Listening Sessions
  - May 2<sup>nd</sup> 10am-11:30am at Saint Monica in the Family Center
  - May 7<sup>th</sup> 6pm-7:30pm at Sacred Heart in the Parish Hall

Committee Reports Questions (10 minutes)

- Health & Safety (Kelly Bach)
- Parent's Club (Kelsey Ashe)
- Technology (Orville McDonald)
- Catholic Identity (Kelly Surapaneni)
- Legal (Katherine Goodrich)

Principal's Update / New Business (10 minutes)

- Our Mission
- Our Vision
  - Should be aspirational, who are we building at SHS.
- Our Living Values/Guiding Virtues
  - The list of values are virtues that SHS is specifically working on with students because these are virtues that can be lacking in our culture. We want our parents to feel that the virtues are the building blocks for the community.
- Bylaws Status

### School Commission 2024-25 (10 minutes)

- Discussion topics
  - School Safety
  - Fund-a-Need Updates
  - Capital Campaign / Feasibility Study Update
  - Mission Statement Discussion
  - Financial update
- Future discussion topics
  - Joint middle school dances
  - Attendance at St. Monica School Commission meetings
  - Collaboration ideas with St. Monica
    - Bingo Night
    - Chili Cookoff
    - Adoration
  - Catholic Identity Challenges
  - State of the School address – timing & topics
- Objectives for this year
  - Accreditation
    - 2025-2026: Self study
    - 2026-2027: Accreditation – new process Family group transition
    - Partnering with St. Monica's School Commission
  - Catholic Identity
  - Facilities

Next Meeting: May 6<sup>th</sup>

### Committee Reports (April 22<sup>nd</sup>)

- Health & Safety (Kelly Bach)
  - Nothing to report
- Parent's Club (Kelsey Ashe)
  - Father/Daughter Dance to be held Friday 4/24 from 5:30-7:00pm in the SHS gym
  - Theme is Spring Fling
  - Wonderful turnout expected
- Technology (Orville McDonald)
  - Nothing to report
- Catholic Identity (Kelly Surapaneni)
  - Annunciation Visit- Kelly had an opportunity to bring items from our Catholic schools to the Annunciation School in Minnesota over Easter. Annunciation's principal, Matt DeBoer served in our archdiocese for 8 years. The students, teachers, and families feel deeply connected with the Archdiocese of Seattle. These projects, including a "Move Your Feet" rosary from the Sacred Heart School Faith Commission, really brought joy to this community-in fact, they want to create more of these beautiful rosaries.

- Devotion to Sacred Heart (from the Archdiocese): This June, the USCCB will consecrate the United States to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in honor of the nation's 250th anniversary. We will promote this national event and elevate the importance of the special devotion to the Sacred Heart and how it can help people live in greater communion and intimacy with Jesus.
- Here is what you can expect over the next few months:
  - May/June - Pastoral Letter on the Sacred Heart of Jesus
    - My new pastoral letter on the origins and beauty of the Sacred Heart will be released in mid-May and will also be featured in the June/July issue of Northwest Catholic.
  - June 11th - Livestream of the USCCB Consecration of the U.S. to the Sacred Heart
    - This will be available to watch on livestream. Details to come.
    - Promotional materials for you to share with your communities are forthcoming in early May through the C2P.
  - June 12th – Local Masses honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus
    - Each parish family should celebrate Mass on the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Liturgy team will provide liturgical guidance in early May.
    - You will receive Sacred Heart-themed prayer cards with the Morning Offering in the mail to pass out during your June 12th Mass (and the following weekend), as well as a toolkit of materials to help educate people and inspire them to embrace the devotion.
    - Parish families are encouraged to offer and promote First Friday Masses moving forward.
  - Mid-May- Resources for your parish and Sacred Heart webpage
    - The new Sacred Heart webpage on the archdiocesan website will include information about St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, the history of the devotion and ways to bring it to life today.
    - We will also provide a toolkit of resources, guidance on how to do the Sacred Heart devotion, prayers and more for parishes, schools and ministries to use and share.
  - School curriculum
    - The Office for Catholic Schools will develop curriculum for Catholic schools to share with K-2, 3-5 and 6-8 students. Specifically, this will help students learn about St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, the history the Sacred Heart devotion and how they can embrace it.
    - These materials can also be used in youth faith formation programs.
    - Starting next fall, schools will be encouraged to incorporate the Morning Offering into their schedule and observe the tradition of First Fridays.
- Legal (Katherine Goodrich)
  - Nothing to report

- Marketing (Merrisa Claridge)
  - Nothing to report