

**ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Meeting Minutes
December 23, 2020 6:30pm**

Mission Statement

The members of St. Luke the Evangelist's Catholic School, together with our parish, commit to serving the students by ensuring that the teachings and values of Jesus Christ are integrated in all aspects of school life. We will serve as partners in the formation of life-long learners and living witnesses of Christ by leading lives of faith and stewardship.

1. Opening Activities

- a. Call to Order — Joe Schmidlein at 6:32 pm
- b. Prayer
- c. Roll Call – Joe Schmidlein
 - i. Voting Members Present - Katherine Garrett, Sam Knezevic, David Niedergeses, Steve Pins, Meghan Rupiper, Joe Schmidlein. Nate Newman excused absence.
 - ii. Non-voting Members Attending – Principal Misty Hade, Father Ken Halbur, Secretary Susan Grebasch
- d. Call for Additional Agenda Items – All members - none
- e. Approval of Agenda – All members
 - i. Steve Pins motioned for approval, Meghan Rupiper second. Agenda approved by all members present.

2. Open Forum (non-Board member presents information to the board)

- a. N/A

3. Reports (questions about reports that have been emailed prior to the meeting)

- a. Administrative Report – Principal Misty Hade
 - i. 163 students currently registered for 2020-2021. Sending reminder to encourage people to register before the end of December and get \$25 discount.
- b. Extra-Curricular Programming - Steve Pins
 - i. Debate – still need coach, Principal Hade working to see if any teachers would be able to assist.
- c. Capital Campaign & Building - Father Ken Halbur
 - i. St. Luke's has paid first bill of \$144,000.
 - ii. Foundation poured.
 - iii. Masons put up shelter and starting to put up block for the next couple of weeks.
- d. Technology Captain – David Neidergeses – no report
- e. Grant Captains – David Neidergeses/Joe Schmidlein
 - i. Finance Council starting a parish-wide grant committee. David will start working with them to look at grants.
 - ii. Principal Hade has a few leads and will send the information to David to begin looking.
- f. Finance Captain - Sam Knezevic
 - i. As more information comes in regarding enrollment and funding, Sam will be updating the budget estimates.
 - ii. After last month's meeting and tuition announcement, very little reaction received. Parents seem to be understanding.
- g. Policy/Handbook Captain – Katherine Garrett – no report
- h. SIAC Captain – Nate Newman/Meghan Rupiper – no report
- i. Family School Association Captain – Joe Schmidlein
 - i. Providing teacher and staff Christmas gifts.

- ii. For 2021 have budgeted for playground equipment, 2 – 8th grade scholarships, STEM purchases and future building needs
- iii. Book fair successful for virtual event.
- iv. Longhorn Dash to be held on May 14th at the school.

4. **Discussion Items**

- a. Enrollment – see Principal’s Report.
- b. Green Gala Update
 - i. Committee starting back up after the first of the year.
 - ii. Postponed February date. Trying to determine future date – early spring/early summer. Thoughts on having an event right after school gets out?
 - iii. Goal is to make a decision by March if having in person event or virtual.
 - iv. Possibly do something at the school with an outdoor option included?
- c. Merry Christmas!!!

5. **Introduction of New Items** - none

6. **Fr. Ken’s Comments** – none

7. **Closing Prayer**

8. **Adjournment**—Joe Schmidlein

- a. Motion to adjourn at 7:08 pm. Steve Pins motioned, Katherine Garrett second. All present approved.

9. **Next Meeting:** January 26, 2021

Bulletin Blurb – The School Board ended its last meeting of 2020 reviewing current enrollment numbers and plans for extra-curricular activities in 2021. Father updated status on the new building construction, and the financial situation was reviewed for the building and school budget. The Green Gala has been postponed from its February date, and the committee will be convening soon to look at options in the spring/summer.

Principal's Report

December Board of Education Report

St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic School~ Misty Hade

Mission and Core Values:

We Pray~We Learn~We Serve

Vision:

St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic School is an inviting, positive community where ALL are respected, encouraged and challenged. As a family, we lead with a servant heart. We strive to build faith, academic, and emotional growth for each individual as a valued child of God.

- Enrollment Numbers: 2020-2021 (as of 12/15/2020)
 - Kindergarten: 35- 1 online
 - First Grade: 36- 1 online
 - Second Grade: 44- 3 online
 - Third Grade: 39- 1 online
 - Fourth Grade: 33
 - Fifth Grade: 20- 1 online
 - Sixth Grade: 19- 3 online
 - Seventh Grade: 10- 2 online
 - Eighth Grade: 5

Total Students: 241- We had a family move to homeschool at trimester 2 because of our increase in wearing masks.
- Tours- 2 tours given- one interested in the beginning after Christmas break and one for 2021-2022
- Current Registration for 2021-2022 School year (as of 12/14/2020)- 127 students. Kindergarten is at 21 students.
- What is keeping us busy this month?
 - Pray:
 - Faith Journey session- Prayer and Saints
 - Student-led Masses
 - Morning and afternoon prayer
 - Prayer before and after lunch
 - Celebration of the Feast Day of the Immaculate Conception
 - Learn:
 - Looking at progress monitoring data for students
 - Changed interventions for some students
 - Observations of teachers
 - Met with teachers to discuss feedback
 - Being in classrooms
 - Being a part of PLC meetings
 - Working with our Special Education students during Ankeny virtual learning. Set up a classroom in the office for students to receive their instruction.
 - Serve:
 - Mission Day for the Food Bank of Iowa (November)
 - Mission Day for 8 residents of Bridges Senior Living Home (December)
- Success
 - During the Kids Heart Challenge, we as a school raised \$2,121.12 for the American Heart Association!
 - 1st, 2nd, 5th, and 7th/8th did a great job with providing Advent Prayer Service videos.
 - K-5 teachers completed the writing conferences!
 - Mission days have been shared with the classes and successful

- Been in school 72 days!!!!!!
 - Kindergarten found the Gingerbread Men!
- Information
 - **Kindergarten Registration Night-** Scheduled for January 12, 2020.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR REPORT FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING HELD 12/23/2020

1. Coding Club
 - a. Students will design and build their own codes to solve problems, create games, and complete challenges that help build an understanding of coding. Students will apply their learning to robots by programming them to complete a variety of tasks. Each session includes a tie to art, literacy, math, digital citizenship, collaboration, persistence, and computational thinking skills.
 - b. Put on by Ms. Pollpeter and Mrs. Grulke
 - i. This will be for students in 2nd-5th grades
 - ii. Class capped at 15 students
 1. Two different sessions
 - a. Done by grade bands (2-3 and 4-5)
 - c. Grades 2-3
 - i. Monday and Wednesday from 3:20-4:20pm
 - ii. 01/25/2020 – 02/24/2020
 - iii. Done in Ms. Pollpeter’s room
 - d. Grades 4-5
 - i. Monday and Wednesday from 3:20-4:20pm
 - ii. 03/22/2020 – 04/21/2020
 - iii. Done in Ms. Pollpeter’s room
2. Middle School Debate
 - a. Dowling has decided to try doing the competitions for Debate this Spring
 - i. All competitions would be done virtually
 - ii. Mrs. Hade is checking to see if we have any teachers that would be willing to coach debate this year.
3. Spanish Club
 - a. Waiting to hear if this will be an option for K-1 this spring
4. Boys Basketball
 - a. We have enough interest to field two teams this year
 - i. 5-6th grade team (10 boys)
 - ii. 7-8th grade team (9 boys)
 - b. Coaches
 - i. 7-8th grade
 1. Steve Pins
 2. Jordan Nelson
 3. Ben Ledyard
 4. Lee Eberhart
 - ii. 5-6TH grade
 1. Currently trying to find a coach. The 7-8th grade coaches have been coaching both teams.
 - c. Practices
 - i. 5-6th grade
 1. Tuesdays and Thursdays in the

- Gym 2. 7-8:30pm
- ii. 7-8TH grade
 - 1. Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Gym 2. 7:30-9pm