

ST. JOHN BOSCO CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING AGENDA  
Tuesday, February 18, 2019

Meeting Time: 5:30 p.m. to approximately 7:15 p.m.

Location: St. Benedict (Church Conference Room)  
16223 S. 48th Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85048

Voting Board Members:

Cheryl O'Malley (CO)  
Erica Seidel (ES)  
Holly Forseth (HF)  
Marianne Biegler (MB)  
Dianne Hansen (DH), Secretary  
Krista Loew (KL), Vice President  
Greg Skrovan (GS)  
Ryan Whitlatch (RW), President, Chair  
Brian Wiscombe (BW)

Ex-officio Non-Voting Board Members:

Fr. James Aboyi (JA), Pastoral Administrator  
Anita Petitti (AP), Principal, Administrative Officer  
Jeannette Vanderah (JG), Faculty Representative (absent)  
Jamie Bescak (JB), Pre-School Director  
Marilyn Johnston (MJ), Parish Council Representative

Guests:

Peter Rady-Pentek (PR):

1. *Opening prayer by RW at 5:39*

2. *Pastor's report*

*a. Kate Rafford's presentation was very impressive at St. Benedict on Sunday. Kate is an alumnus of SJB.*

*b. Saturday is parish and school staff retreat. 25-30 staff will go to Mt. Claret.*

*c. School survey email link forthcoming with introduction email from Fr. James. Survey will be open for 3 weeks.*

*CEA will send report to diocese, who will share with Fr. James. Will develop strategic plan based on feedback. Survey reminder to be sent.*

*Recommendation: 1. Separate email and weekly reminder should go out due to the importance of this survey. Include in weekly teacher emails. 2. Show what has been done in response to last year's survey to show voices were heard. 3. Include date for deadline.*

3. *Principal's report*

*a. Thanks to the board members who helped with Catholic Schools Week and Open House. Great response from visiting families.*

*b. Diocesan wellness policy is for teachers as well as students, not just students.*

*c. 8 students applied to Xavier, and all 8 were accepted*

*d. Re-enrollment notification. This is the first year in 5 years that parents are finally responding quickly.*

*Incentivized by free dress day and lower re-enrollment rate.*

- e. Weekly faculty meetings still working on accreditation. Every teacher involved, making good progress.*
- f. Feb 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:30, burying of the Alleluia banner. Feb 26<sup>th</sup> is Ash Wednesday Mass at 9AM.*
- g. There was recently a parking accident (by a new driver) in the South parking lot, which is being repaired.*

#### *4. Preschool Director's report*

- a. Thanks to those board members who have been able to speak at Mass over the weekend. Thanks for the help all year. Will reach out to PTO and Dads' Club to be involved in kind next year. Jamie will also reach out to more alumni.*
- b. JB has been giving a lot of tours and interviews lately. JB meets all new students and parents.*
- c. AZ TV came on campus and was a great experience. Showcase of campus and STEM lab. Recommendation: show video clip and dream video at Mass.*
- d. Transportation day went really well. Many families there knew about SJB, which was JB's goal – very positive feedback.*
- e. JB continues to collaborate with Nick (St. B. choir director) on social media*

#### *5. Committee Reports*

- a. Finance Committee – SCRIP requirement was bumped to \$150; tuition increase necessary to keep up with cost increases, education on STO is critical. Next year, tuition increase will be specifically for technology.*
- b. Technology Committee – RW with H. Macdonald working on ERATE paperwork – subsidized technology funds that schools can tap into. HM fixed SCRIP form. Final testing in progress, to be rolled out likely in March. Board members willing to test as well.*

#### *6. Diocesan Board*

- *The Diocesan In-service will be September 26, 2020 at St. Mary's High School*
- *The Night of Hope will be November 14, 2020 at Xavier College Prep.*

#### *7. New item from MB –*

- a. Alumni committee – to get alumni involved with the school. Will target those people to get their children as students. Also have newsletter that will have updates on their lives. Work on getting alumni from each year since the school was open. Eventually work on having reunions. Investigating options to get database together. MB will get together with Mrs. Skrovan to discuss ideas.*
- Voted to approve this committee.*

#### *8. Administrative Items*

- a. reminder on term limits – new positions to be filled – need applicants*
- b. last two months' meeting minutes have been approved, to be posted*

*No items for closed session.*

*Fr. James closed the meeting at 6:55PM a prayer.*