



ST. ALBERT THE GREAT SCHOOL

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Monday, November 4, 2024

6:30 – 8:30 pm

Cafeteria

- I. **Call to Order:** Fr. Chris called the meeting to order at 6:33pm with a prayer. School Board members in attendance were Jaimie Weiss, Chet Allen, Katie Cropper, Ellen Martin, Janelle Richardson, Jean Terry, Deanna O’Keefe, Fr. Chris, Jillian Osbourne, Elizabeth Dallenbach, Allison Ray, Rebecca Becht, Ashley Taylor, Mary Lammers, Clayton Orman, Laura Owens. Thank you to the additional parents who attended.
- II. **Introductions**
- III. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Principal:** Ellen Martin gave the principal update. She shared the improvement plan update. She stated that the archdiocese will come on 2/19/25 and observe, share recommendations, and then come back in 2 years to evaluate. We have two goals we want to work on: Stewardship & Leadership Team. The school is in the mist of celebrating the blue-ribbon award and will have a celebration on 11/15/24.
 - b. **Faculty:** Allison Ray gave the faculty update. Friendly lessons are going strong with monthly awards to individual given at school mass. Grades are coming out this week. 7th & 8th grade have been doing library reading with younger grades. Both sides are really enjoying it! Jr. High has been having lots of high school visits and grades 5th-8th have participated in the Bright Program.
 - c. **Preschool: Elizabeth** Dallenbach gave the preschool update. The directors report came out & new framework and guidance was included. Preschool participated in a field trip to the Nature Center – she highly recommends! Preschool will have their license visit coming up soon.
 - d. **Development Report: Janelle Richardson gave an update regarding school admissions and application process. We have stopped taking applications for**

preschool and kindergarten. She is doing 12-15 school tours a week! Next year we are taking 32 new preschool families (out of 54) and 18 new kindergarten families. Already there are 20 new 1-6th grade families that have sent in applications. Usually, we do not receive these grades until March. Kindergarten is discussing updating the kindergarten readiness Test.

- e. **PTO Update:** No on present to update.
 - f. **Finance:** Finance meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, 11/5/24, with Fr. Chris, administration, and Lisa Kleyer.
 - g. **Parish:** Fr. Chris shared the update. All Saints Day went well. On 11/11/24 there will be a Veterans Day mass, on 11/15/24 there will be the St. Albert Feast Day, and on 11/17/24 the 2nd Graders will celebrate their First Communion.
 - h. **SAAM:** Ashley Taylor gave the update. Archery was completely full this year. They are having talks to hopefully expand the gym for Archery. SAAM has purchased new basketball uniforms and is implementing a new uniform policy to help with the returning of sports uniforms. \$25,000 were spent on basketball uniforms. The big SAAM fundraiser of Trivia Night is coming 12/7/24.
 - i. **Security:** Nothing new to report.
- IV. Presidents Report:** Jaimie reported that the climate survey is going well. The survey closes on 11/15/24. There has already been a lot of surveys received with a lot of families mentioning the poor state of cafeteria food as well as unavailability of play café.
- V. Listening Session:** There were no comments on concerns from parents in attendance.
- VI. Call for Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 7:45. Next meeting is Monday January 11, 2025, at 6:30.