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## MINUTES School Board Meeting January 30, 2013 6:30 p.m.

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m..

Present were: Mark S., Michael S., Donna W., Rose N., Paul S., Jill C., Father Bart, Donna Smillie, Non-Voting

**OPENING PRAYER** was led by Michael.

### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Mark made a motion to accept the minutes from the November and December 2012 meetings and Michael seconded. With no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved unanimously.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by consensus.

### Principal's Report:

No questions.

### Budget report:

Aging accounts are not excessive at this time, and parents are continuing with payment plans.

Rose reported that Steve is still working on refinancing the building. This will result in a reduction of the monthly payment because of lower interest rates.

Tuition revenue projections were reviewed. If enrollment for next academic year is consistent with this year, we will probably need to raise tuition based on general increases in expenses. Also, the Board would like to consider at least a modest salary increase for teachers next year. Donna and Denise will prepare budget projections for 2013-4 using current figures and projections for raises for teachers. Because the secretary and bookkeeper received generous raises last year, they probably will not be considered for salary increases next academic year.

Michael altered the language in the enrollment agreement allowing for an increase above this year's tuition.

### OLD BUSINESS

Accreditation Update

The Board discussed the ESLRs. Changes were made in the bullets under each expectation.

Donna S. will discuss them with the teachers next week.

### VIRTUOUS MEN AND WOMEN

Delete "exercises..." and replace with "Treat the body as a temple of the Holy Spirit."

## **ENTHUSIASTIC CATHOLICS**

Combines the sacraments and mass attendance into “Realizes the importance of sacramental life.”

Simplifies fourth bullet to “Practices prayer, mortification and good works.”

## **RESOURCEFUL LEARNERS**

Simplifies second bullet to “Uses tools of classical learning.”

## **OUTGOING WITNESSES**

Changes second bullet to “Participates...incorporating Catholic values.”

Changes third bullet to “Uses technology to contribute to the healthy positive development of society.”

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **School Clubs**

The discussion was delayed until March. Donna S. will draft the language she wants for the handbook regarding new school clubs.

### **Auction Printer**

No changes in the printer or the posters are necessary.

### **Incident Management including Officer LaChere’s offer**

At this time, the School will continue with its current incident management procedure. Donna will look into having a resource police officer to be present from time to time. Donna will let Officer LaChere know that we welcome his presence.

Paul will consider a presentation on the dangers of Facebook, cell phone usage, texts and other potentially dangerous uses of technology

### **Handbook addition regarding students in cars after school**

The current handbook language covers this issue. Students are not to enter cars on campus unless they have parental permission to ride with the owner of the car.

Donna will consider having more teacher presence in the parking lot after school.

### **Auction thoughts**

The Board discussed inviting a development director from a Montana non-profit to the auction to provide feedback. Some ideas are to separate the auction into two events; one for fun activities and less expensive live auction items that would be more family friendly, and one for more expensive auction items. The classroom projects bring significant bids, but they are purchased by parents or grandparents, and not necessarily new auction attendees and potential supporters of the school.

The Board agreed to provide two complimentary tickets this year for this purpose.

## **OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Auction February 23, 2013**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.**

## **NEXT MEETING**

**Next Board meeting: March 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.**