

Guardian Angels Central Catholic School Board Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2026 — 6:30 p.m. | Rectory

Called to order by: Britney Kaup

Opening Prayer: Fr. James Weeder

Roll Call

Present: Fr. James Weeder, Tina Biteghe Bi Ndong, Ben Borgmann, Tyson Dinslage, Kylie Dirkschneider, David Karnopp, Allyn Knobbe, Britney Kaup, Angi Klitz, Eric Klitz.

Absent: None

Approval of Minutes

Tina made a motion to approve the August 19, 2026, School Board meeting minutes as written. Allyn seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Booster Club — No report.

SPA — Erika Nesladek

- The drive-through supper was held September 16.

Facilities Committee — Tyson Dinslage

- Site preparation and footings for the maintenance facility are pending improved ground conditions. Sunrise Excavation will complete the work based on the geotechnical report.
- The greenhouse location was confirmed for the southeast corner of the parking lot, subject to required setbacks. The site will allow access to utilities and winter use by the school's agriculture program.
- The high school chiller project is not yet fully complete, and the final invoice remains pending.

Finance Committee — Allyn Knobbe

- The Finance Committee met before the Board meeting and approved the annual financial report for submission to the Archdiocese.
- Upcoming deadlines for teacher salaries and the 2027 budget were reviewed.

Governance Committee — Kylie Dirkschneider

No report.

Development/Capital Campaign Committee — Tina Biteghe Bi Ndong

- The committee met before the Board meeting and identified approximately 51 potential volunteers, including Board members, to assist with donor visits.

- Volunteer training is scheduled for September 27 at 6:00 p.m. in the GA cafeteria. Training will cover campaign talking points, materials, and donor-team assignments.
- Prior campaign donors will be revisited. Any future installments directed to Phase II will be confirmed with donors, and existing Phase I restrictions will be honored.

Principals' Reports

High School — Matt Jansen

- High-school class retreats are underway, and planning is being finalized for homecoming and fall activities.
- The principals are coordinating professional development with the Archdiocese for October 9.
- Junior-high students heard from local veterans as part of the Patriot's Pen writing program.

Elementary School — Joyce Stalp

- Boys Town social-skills instruction and restorative-discipline practices are being implemented to strengthen student culture, responsibility, and conflict resolution.
- The new Magnetic Literacy reading program emphasizes phonics, decoding, vocabulary, fluency, comprehension, writing, and higher-order thinking.
- Family Faith Formation students were welcomed to the school.
- The Wayne State College career fair produced encouraging interest from prospective Catholic-school educators.

President's Report

Fr. Greg Carl commended the principals for their classroom presence, relationship-building, and strong start to the school year. He also reported that new staff members are integrating well and that priests are increasing their involvement in school Masses, confession, adoration, and classroom visits.

Fr. Carl clarified that capital-campaign funds will be documented through the business manager's office and must remain restricted to the purposes designated by donors.

New Business

Board Education — Bylaws and Handbook

Bill McAllister led Board education on the distinction between Board governance and the operational authority of the school president and administration. He emphasized that Board authority is exercised collectively, individual members should direct concerns through the established chain of command, and expectations must be clearly defined so future Board members and administrators work from the same framework.

The Board discussed using the bylaws to clarify responsibility for planning, personnel, curriculum, financial approvals, and other operational decisions. Britney and Fr. Carl will develop a process for continuing the exercise at future meetings, with one area reviewed at a time against the bylaws.

Elementary Principal Search

The Board reviewed the Archdiocesan search process and discussed the timing of the elementary principal posting. The position is targeted to be posted by November 1, with the goal of selecting a candidate by late January. Fr. Carl will work with Vicky on the posting, bring it to the next Board meeting for review, and contact a previously interviewed candidate regarding possible interest.

Executive Session

Per the recommendation of the Archdiocese of Omaha's Office of Catholic Schools, the Board moved into Executive Session to discuss confidential matters for the protection of the public interest or to prevent needless injury to a person's reputation.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Greg Carl

Adjournment:

Dave made a motion to adjourn. Tyson seconded. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: October 21, 2026

Respectfully submitted,
Eric Klitz
Secretary