

Guardian Angels Central Catholic

School Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 15, 2023

The Guardian Angels Central Catholic School Board met on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish rectory.

LeAnn Ritter called the meeting to order.

Father Weeder began the meeting with a prayer.

Roll call was taken. Board members present included: Matt Ridder, LeAnn Ritter, Danelle Smith, Ryan Steffensmeier, Ashley Strehle, Justin Steffensmeier, and Tom Hagedorn

Board members not present: Jeff Timmerman, Ben and Michelle Borgmann (Janelle Nebuda resigned earlier this month)

School Administration present: Father Weeder, John McAndrews, and Paula Peatrowsky

School Organization Representatives Present: Paul Ridder (Development Committee)

School Organization Representatives not present: Aliza Brunsing (SPA) and a Booster Club representative

LeAnn asked all present to review the January minutes. Ashley made a motion to approve the January minutes. Ryan seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Booster Club: no report

Development Committee: Paul deferred his time to John and Paula's presentation.

SPA: no report

Facilities Committee: Tom stated that the insurance inspector came to campus. He said things looked good. He would like to see some pads in the GA gym behind the hoops. Paul stated that there are a few things that need to be fixed in the activity center basement.

Finance Committee: Justin noted that the GA expense for lay non-certified staff is at 97% of budget already in January. This is due to a raise in hourly pay as well as another para due to not being able to hire another first grade teacher. The rest of the budget is on track. Danelle made a motion to approve the January budget. Tom seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

John reported that there is interest in a junior high cross country team. Practice and meets would be at the same time as high school times. Mrs. Kaup would also be the same coach. Danelle had a concern that as a small school we may be spreading ourselves too thin with too many activities. Matt wondered if the Booster Club should be in on this decision since it is an extracurricular sport.

John then explained the school improvement plan sheets that he passed out to the board. He went over in detail each part of the plan and asked the school board to look it over and come back with any ideas or comments.

There was a combined meeting last week involving parish council, endowment committee, and school board in which John and Paula presented information. John summarized his presentation for those school board members who were not present. A feasibility study will be started March 1 which would give us a rough number that the community would be willing to give toward a campaign as well as opinions on other topics like space. Paula stated that we are good on space for the next two years, but we will need more space going forward. She stressed that as a community, we all have a common goal, and we need to come together to reach it. John stated that strategic planning would happen after the campaign and feasibility study.

John had interviews with for the band, steam, and math teachers. He is still trying to find Spanish, special education, and English teachers. Paula has the elementary positions posted and showed the board flyers that are going out.

Drafts of next year's calendar were handed out. It is not final as of yet.

Paula stated that Catholic School's Week went very well. She also had numbers for pre-school and pre-K. Pre-school MWF would have 12 students and TTH would have 10 at this time. Pre-K would have 17 in each of the AM and PM. Paula stated that there are 10 new families coming next year.

The board then went into executive session.

The next meeting is March 15, 2023.

Father closed the meeting with a prayer.

Ashley made a motion to adjourn. Danelle seconded the motion. All in favor.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Ridder