

SEVEN DOLORS BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES (Unapproved)
School Meeting Room
November 12, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

I. Call to order

- A. Prayer: Janel
- B. Roll Call

Board Members: Janel Eibensteiner, Priya Felling, Gary Geise, Angie Rushmeyer, Jason Spychala, Karla Zierden, Fr. Edward, Maria Heymans-Becker

Present: Janel Eibensteiner, Priya Felling, Gary Geise, Angie Rushmeyer, Jason Spychala, Fr. Edward, Maria Heymans-Becker, Karla Zierden

Absent: Paul Schiffler

II. Recommended Actions

A. Routine Matters

1. Approval of the Agenda – Jason motion to approve, Angie second
2. Approval of Minutes from October meeting – Angie motion, Priya second
3. Review of October financials - reviewed

B. Unfinished/Continued Business

1. Update on HFS Breakfast Program – Julie Voit, guest – In the past, Home & School line itemed for snacks, 4 years ago when HFS started offering the breakfast program, the line item for snack disappeared. Initially it covered the cost of the trays, unknown why the line item for snacks wouldn't go into the breakfast fund now because if it doesn't cover breakfast it would have to come out of the lunch fund. Julie informed board this is a different year with different students and more kids are eating. September we were in the black, more kids eating this year, much bigger kindergarten class this year, with more kindergartners eating we get more money back from the state. Figured in September, an average of 76 students eating out of 95 students. This discussion was tabled until October breakfast financials are complete, to see where things are at.
2. Update on Erate Technology Grant Project – Ron Ohmann has started project and in alignment with what was figured, may be slightly more than anticipated but very close. Need to keep it going as we are under deadline to meet the grant requirements.
3. Discuss & decide on Board of Education Goals for 2018-2019 –
 - a. Goal #1 - Support students, staff & administration in implementation of and assistance with the strategic plan as a result of the accreditation process.
 - b. Goal #2 - Promote the school to increase enrollment while ensure the financial stability of the school.
 - c. Goal #3 - Increase collaboration and build a partnership with the surrounding schools and parishes to assist our students & teachers in choosing curriculum and transitioning students from HFS to the public school.
4. Follow-up on Mini Board Orientation Inservice – Maria – Discussed board member roles and responsibilities, and expectations for the board. The board can always call Maria if we have questions, concerns, or concerns that others bring forward.

5. Review HFS Mission Statement & Philosophy & offer suggestions on any changes to them for accreditation process. (Along with all staff, families, & parishioners, the Board of Ed. are contributors & stake holders in this important process.) –
 - Suggestion on mission statement: Holy Family School is a family and faith-filled, creative educational environment that assists each child in reaching his or her full potential.
 - Suggestion on philosophy statement: Aligns with the teachers’ adding “setting the highest standards of learning for the future” in last line.

C. New Business

1. Board member to serve on Technology Committee – Karla Zierden
2. Diocesan Health Insurance update for 2019 – diocese sent information on update, no increase in premiums!
3. Gr.6: How would the Board like to revisit & survey 6th gr. at HFS (considering parent & school community opinion)? – open to surveying fifth grade families to see if interest has changed. Open to dialogue and conversation yearly.

The survey would include:

The HFS Board is interested in obtaining your family input on whether there would be interest in having your fifth grade student attend HFS next year for sixth grade if it would be financially feasible and if there would be enough interest.

_____ If 6th grade is an option at HFS, I would have my child remain at HFS for 6th grade.

_____ If 6th grade is an option at HFS, I would not have my child remain at HFS for 6th grade.

III. Information and Proposals

- A. Pastor – provided the Dicoese of Saint Cloud DRAFT of pastoral plan. Will begin implementation by July 1st. With the implementation, no indication Fr Edward or Fr Julius would be leaving any time soon.
- B. Principal Update – HFS Alumni Association in process of annual mailing to approx. 2,000 alumni.
 - Outstanding tuition- two families have outstanding accounts that never got resolved. The Board agrees to refer to collections.
 - School Project - Will need new doors on the east side - steel & aluminum bids received
- Committee Reports – Finance and Technology meet Wednesday
- C. Confidential Matters –
- D. Parish Council Meeting Rep for next council meeting (Nov.17) – Angie & Dec. meeting – Janel

Gary made motion to adjourn, Priya second, 8:40 pm.

IV. Next Board meeting: Mon., December 10, 2018, 6:30 p.m.

