



Saint Michael School

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St. Michael School Board Minutes

August 7, 2025

Amended 9/24/25

Opening prayer-Karen 6:00 pm

Mission Statement: all

I. **Roll Call/Introduction:** Dee Powell, Joe Edwards, Mikki Edwards, Claudia Perry, Michelle Charron, Fr. Mike, Karen Gostomski, Lisa Smith, special guests Mrs. Q, Miss Jessica, Alyssa Bobos and Jill Charron

II. Approval of prior mtg minutes: motion-Mikki, second-Claudia

III. **Comments from the floor:**

- A. Guests:
- B. Board members
- C. Communications
- D. Home and school-Alyssa and Jill proposed the Auction be d/c this year as there are not enough families to facilitate it and they do not burn out the current families.

IV. Approval of Agenda: motion-Lisa, second-Mikki

V. Discussion

- A. Open board seats-suggestion of Vera Young, Diane Taylor was suggested, Joe Edwards volunteered to take Mikki seat when her term is complete
- B. Enrollment-currently 39 families; GSRP-25/25 Karen feels this will be more like 30/32; Ideas of how to avoid the 5th/6th kids from leaving as the transition to middle school
- C. Principal report- this is confidential to our school board
- D. Financial approval process- currently Fr, Karen, the board and finance will be working together on the proper process of pymt process. There needs to be purchase orders and be mindful of a budget along with the channels of a pymt process. This way it can be tracked properly.
- E. Mtg reminders-Dee relayed they can be virtual, open to parents and there will be prior request from parents or board for comments
- F. Tuition rates/discounts for 26-27 school year
 - 1. Diocese recommends increase
 - 2. Technology fee-this was not discussed at this mtg

G. Family retention-Fr. relayed we should focus on the current families and support them

H. Policy for consumption of alcohol-diocese handbook covers this but it is vague-do we want more? Claudia/Lisa to help with verbiage and we will add this to the next agenda

VI. Committee Reports

- A. Bldg, Grounds, and safety-Karen reported the play ground inspection was completed.
- B. Marketing and communications-working with DOGR (Sarah Toper sp?) will come this fall to discuss new ways to increase enrollment.
- C. Development-Foundation/Recruitment-
- D. Finance-there is a budget this year and all funds are in a nice visual grid
- E. Planning/policy mission effectiveness-
- F. Technology-chromebooks are all covered this year
- G. Home and School-Dee will contact one of the H&S parents at their next mtg to see if one of them is willing to take Chuck's spot.

VII. Action Items

VIII. Old Business

- A. Parent/Student/Parish survey update (Mikki)-
- B. 25-26 budget (Dave/Karen)- apprvd
- C. Principal and school goals (Dave and Karen) they will meet
- D. Getting to know you-Member of school board possibly be at open house and get bio/info to Dee
- E. Accreditation- final report is not received but growth was shown very high marking
- F. Test score update-cannot accurately compare to the public school
- G. Handbook updates/staff/students-Karen and fr to meet
- H. Program effectiveness survey-parent/student and staff ; received 20 from families, 12 from staff and 8 from students (5th/6th gd); trends that can be looked at and improvements to be made

IX. Father's comments-Parents having issues?? please advise they have taken the proper channels; lets focus on the families here and not on the past.

X. principal report- see attached

XI. Dismissal prayer: Fr. led

Next mtg 9/4/25 Dee to check on this and possibly move to the following week

Adjourned 7:56 pm

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