

Lumen Christi High School

Virtual School Board Meeting Minutes – November 17, 2020

Members Presents:

Fr. Tom
Principal Brian Ross
Greg Gallagher
Kara Moriarty
Lea Bouton
Nikelle Sherman
Danna Hoellering
Bill Arnold
Shane Locke
Jim Seaburger
Michelle Hajdukovich
Kathy Gustafson
Teri Schneider
Virginia Groeschel

Meeting commenced:

Lea called the meeting to order at 6:32.

Opening prayer:

Ft. Tom opened the meeting with a prayer.

Committee Meetings:

- 6:02 pm to 6:30pm - Board members were Zoomed into their committees: recruitment & retention, finance & the future of LCHS.

Approval of Minutes and Agenda:

- Minutes approved: motioned by Greg, second by Bill, approved by unanimous vote.
- Agenda approved: motioned by Kara, second by Jim, approved by unanimous vote.

Principal's report:

- Brian shared due to the increased positive COVID test rate, the school has moved to red zone. Despite the new COVID positivity rate guideline approval (5% to 10%) we are a bit over that in Anchorage so we will proceed in red zone.
- There have been positive cases but have been isolated. The class that was exposed were notified. No further positive tests resulted to date.
- Brian highlighted the three new short videos showing parent and student satisfaction with the school that were shared on Facebook for Discovering Catholic Schools week.

- Sports have been cut short due to COVID but the girls volleyball team did get one very controlled game in with CIA.

Mission moment :

- Fr. Tom shared the annual report.

Sister school:

- They are at max capacity with 3-10 kids on a weight list in every grade. 173 current enrollment.
- SEAS continues to be in in-person learning for now 14 weeks in session. Next week off for a break for staff and students.
- Virtual Auction was Friday, November 13th. Very successful. The donations included a fully funded PA system and large scholarship program funding. Despite COVID, donations were very generous.
- Kathy is retiring at the end of the school year. Fr. Tom and Kara gave their warm gratitude for her hard work through the years. We all thank you and wish you the best!

Board Chair Comments:

- She opened the floor to the head of the chairs.
- Lumen Forward: Michelle –Going to try to create extra circulars focusing on Stem and art. Want to start a gifted mentorship for junior and senior students to be able to shadow professionals in their chosen/interested career paths. Try to gather practical learning resources – classes and speakers.
- Kara: Survey out to families – going to share with LCHS parents. Only sharing the graphs without the comments in order to avoid any privacy issues. If further questions from parents, happy to share more details. Going to work on consistency with handling new students within the school regarding managing expectations and consistency among the schools requirements.
- Motion passes with unanimous vote to only share the overall graphs/data with parents and not the comments individually provided anonymous by parents of the school.
- Finance & Development: Bill, shared that the pay scale will be reevaluated regarding the base pay levels. 2014-2015 year was the last time the pay scale was revisited and revised. A sub-committee meeting will be held outside of the Board and will share their progress at next meeting.
- Lea requested board members to aid her in dividing up the contacts of all the families in order to give a phone call to each family to say “happy thanksgiving from the board.” The community bond is naturally strained due to COVID, this nice gesture to give the families a phone call to stay connected.
- Greg, Shane, Virginia, Nikelle and Kara offered to help with the phone calls.

Finance report and accounting update –Bill & Danna:

- Danna provided the Statement of Activities to board as pre-meeting reading materials. Danna asked if there were any questions. No questions by members.

Closing prayer:

- Closing prayer by Brian.

Meeting concluded:

- Lea adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.

* The following board meeting date is December 15th at 6 p.m.