



St. Brendan School Advisory Board Meeting  
**September 10, 2024 @ 7:00pm, Wellnitz Hall**

Agenda Topics		Topic Owner
1	Call to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting called to order -7:04pm</li> </ul>	Averel Meden
	Attendance: Mike DeMassimo, Chuck Boyle, Christine Mack, Averel Meden, Erin Owsley, Marie Adams, Matt Adams, Ted Nix, Maria Gluys, Brad Fusco, Fr. Sean Dooley	Marie Adams
2	Opening Prayer	Christine Mack
3	Approval of <b>May 14, 2024</b> Meeting Minutes Motion to approve: Christine Mack Second: Ted Nix	Averel Meden
4	Pastor's Update:: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Construction projects moving along - lighting, bathrooms, etc.</li> </ul>	Fr. Sean Dooley
5	Principal's Report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General Update - so proud of teachers and kids. He has been out in the classrooms and halls as much as possible, and everything is going really well. He will be having 1:1 class meetings.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Philosophy is discipline through proximity. Working through some known issues, but looking at everything through a positive lens. Creating expectations and moving forward.</li> </ul> </li> <li>School Enrollment - 540</li> <li>Accreditation Update - this is how we get money. This process was paused for 18 mos while principal search occurred.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff worked on goals - academic performance goal and Catholic identity goal.</li> <li>Catholic Identity Goal - students will demonstrate an increase in knowledge about how the virtues work in their daily lives.</li> <li>4 Cardinal virtues: Fortitude, Temperance, Prudence, Justice.</li> <li>For example, for Fortitude we want students to develop skills with a growth mindset to accomplish academic goals.</li> <li>We want the academic goals to dovetail with the 4 Cardinal Virtues.</li> <li>Key is Moving from Fixed Mindset to Growth Mindset</li> <li>We will use the principles from Tim Kight - Focus3 - R Factor is Event + Response = Outcome</li> <li>For example, he talks about Resiliency. We can tie that in with Fortitude and help students</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Mike DeMassimo

**OUR MISSION:**

St. Brendan School is dedicated to educating children in a Catholic community where spirituality is fostered, uniqueness is valued, and potential is realized.

**OUR VISION:**

St. Brendan School will be an affordable school of choice within the community which develops and fosters well-rounded individuals of high moral character based upon Catholic values

	<p>to develop skills that support a resilient attitude.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Will start the whole program very slowly. A little bit this year.</li> <li>○ Part of this plan is to enhance the House program with leadership training for House Leaders</li> <li>○ A few teachers will get trained and they will bring to the rest of the staff, and then the staff will bring it to the kids</li> <li>○ External accreditors - scheduled Oct 21 &amp; 22nd - their job is to evaluate the plan and then poke holes in it.</li> <li>○ Then the plan will be revised and then hopefully approved</li> <li>○ Accreditation happens every 4 years</li> <li>● New projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Will also be working on building a high school transition program. Has already talked to a few of the high schools about this.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
6	<p>Chair's Report: Discussion Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● HMiddle School Discipline Policies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Behavior in general has been very good</li> <li>○ Saturday School - there was no layer in between out of school suspension and detention/in school suspensions. This layer will be school for 3 hours on Saturdays, maybe working on academics, cleaning, picking up litter, etc.</li> <li>○ Can't really connect discipline with sporting activities directly. (School &amp; Parish are separate) But a coach can make individual decisions. Priorities should be God, Family, Grades, Sport/Activity. There can be dialogue between teams and school.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Grade Scale Update - still no decision - maybe for next year. Parents could contact Dr. Dufault to ask about status and emphasize the preparation for high school</li> <li>● First Communion Feedback - 2 big masses that will be on Sunday. May 4th and May 11 - sometime in the afternoon.</li> <li>● 5th Grade Health Education Policies - currently done as a mixed group. Would like to explore the possibility of separating the sexes for the couple of days that sexual education is covered. Will be talked about further.</li> <li>● Mother &amp; Son Social: AHG has father/daughter. Have the people interested in this call Mr. DeMassimo.</li> <li>● Ignatius Book Fair - Catholic book fair. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Run by a priest and the President of Ave Maria University.</li> <li>○ We could have a better book selection and choices for our students and our library.</li> <li>○ Not sure what our contract is with Scholastic. But we may need to</li> <li>○ Ignatius is not doing online book fairs yet. But you can list your school and they can get a percentage.</li> <li>○ A 2nd book fair may be difficult due to manpower needed and to hit the \$6000</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Averel Meden

	<p>minimum to get a percentage. Percentage is 40%</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ This is something to consider for the future.</li> <li>● Meetings Monthly - Should we meet monthly? If we need to have a meeting, then contact Mr. DeMassimo, and he will call one. Mr DeMassimo is still getting the lay of the land and doesn't want to schedule unnecessary meetings right now. This may change if we have initiatives that we are working on that need pushed forward.</li> </ul>	
7	<p>Vice Chair's Report</p> <p>Athletic Association - Registration Numbers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Cheer - 20</li> <li>● Tackle Football - 5-8 - 35</li> <li>● Soccer - K-3 142</li> <li>● Vball - 68</li> <li>● Flag Football - 1-5 - 63</li> <li>● CC - 35</li> <li>● Golf - 9 - not CYO sport but competing with other diocesan schools</li> <li>● All sports started last weekend or are starting this weekend.</li> </ul>	Averel Meden
8	<p>Home and School Association Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● General Update</li> <li>● Had a goal to communicate purpose and accomplishments to families. Issued Annual Report</li> <li>● Stage Reno - Phase 1 done. Phase 2 and 3 will be done by December/January. Parish is finishing it.</li> <li>● Auction Update - 80s theme. Dionne McCarthy leading for 1 yr and will build out the process. Very good start. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ There will be a bourbon table and purse table</li> <li>○ There will be a live band for the after party</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Golf Outing - fulfilled scholarship and then some for other H&amp;S initiatives</li> <li>● Tailgate for the OSU v. Oregon game- Oct 12th - 6:30pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Not for Profit will be there. Leveling the Playing Field - collecting gently used sports equipment and will redistribute to schools that don't have the means</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Matt Adams
	<p>Election of New Officers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Secretary - Marie Adams</li> <li>● Vice Chair - Shaun Casterano</li> <li>● Chair - Ted Nix</li> </ul>	Averel Meden
11	<p>Adjourn 8:31pm</p> <p>Next meeting: November 12, 2024</p>	Chair Elect

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