

**SPRINGFIELD CATHOLIC SCHOOLS  
SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI**

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Springfield Catholic High School 7:00 PM**

**Present:** Kent Lammers, Jane Fairchild, Shelby Williams, Boyd Crockett, Jeanne Skahan, JoAnne Bailes, Cheryl Bond, Suzanne Cronkhite, Msgr. Tom Reidy, Sr. Cecilia Ann, Mike Johnson, Ashley Harris, John Griesemer, Fr. Patrick Nwokoye, Margaret Calliotte, Michelle Auzias de Turenne

**Absent:** Fr. Tom Kiefer, Fr. Lewis Hejna, Paige Duda

**OPENING PRAYER** 7:04pm Fr. Patrick Nwokoye opened the meeting with a prayer.

**REVIEW OF CONSENT ITEMS**

The February Minutes and March Consent Agenda items were reviewed prior to the meeting. A motion to approve the consent items and minutes was made by Fr. Patrick Nwoyoke and seconded by Boyd Crockett. The motion was approved.

**REPORTS**

**Financial Statements:** Cheryl presented the February financials. A motion to approve the financials was made by John Griesemer and seconded by Shelby Williams. The motion was approved.

Enrollment as of today reflects we are up 3 students from budget.

**Director of Schools:** Sr. Cecilia Ann mentioned that the Endowment Committee awarded \$51K in teacher grants. She is happy to say supplies are already coming in and the teachers are very excited. Sr. Cecilia Ann also mentioned that the February 10<sup>th</sup> teacher in-service day went very well. Sr. Cecilia Ann spoke about two new stipends that have come up for review. The first one is a Robotics team for the high school. This stipend would be \$3754 and would be run by a middle school teacher and her husband. The team would have to consist of 10 students in order for the Robotics program to exist for the year. Sr. Cecilia Ann also mentioned a second stipend for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. They are requesting Girls on the Run program. At this point Sr. Cecilia Ann and the committee agree this may not align with our Catholic beliefs and suggested they come up with a different program or create a new one.

**Director of Development:** The Development Board had their monthly meeting today at Immaculate Conception. Kids from various grades spoke to the Development Board. Suzanne mentioned the new website launched today. Please let her know if anyone sees anything that needs to be changed or updated. Suzanne then spoke about Emerald Evening. She asked that board members please wear their name tags. Also, there has been a \$138K fund -a -need match donation this year. There is a Shepherds' Fund dinner coming up on April 30<sup>th</sup> hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Lee Viorel.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Policies- Second reading of Policy

- 2.14A – Guidelines for Sick Leave Pool Policy

A motion to approve the policy was made by Boyd Crockett and seconded by Jane Fairchild. The motion was approved.

Shelby Williams represented the Maintenance and Construction committee report and spoke about the science wing. There is no drywall "lid" over the science wing. There is only blown insulation which is causing that area to freeze and remain cold during extreme temperatures. After several companies investigated the issue it looks like it could be anywhere from \$200-\$300K to fix properly. Shelby will keep the board up to date on the ongoing situation.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Margaret presented the first reading of the 2023-2024 school year budget. After presenting the 2 scenarios, a motion to approve the salary increase was made by John Griesemer and seconded by Jane Fairchild.

**CLOSING PRAYER** Msgr. Tom Reidy closed the meeting with a prayer.

The meeting ended at 8:25 p.m.