

COUNCIL BLUFFS AREA BOARD OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION MEETING

Minutes December 19, 2016

5:30 p.m. Saint Albert Catholic High School Library

- 5:30 1. **Call to Order:** Mark Hohneke
2. **Opening Prayer:** Rubin Ramirez
3. **Roll Call and Reading of Mission:** Lorrie Powers
MISSION STATEMENT: *Saint Albert Catholic School, in partnership with our parishes, will inspire our students to fulfill their spiritual, academic, moral and physical potential by following the teachings of the Catholic Church.*
4. **Public Comments:** None
- 5:35 5. **Approval of Nov. 28, 2016 Minutes:**
Motion: Lorrie Powers Second: Kristen Kirwan Approved: Y
6. **Agenda Adjustments:** Dave Schweitzer stated that it was requested that each administrator limit their board report to 5 minutes or less.
- 5:40 7. **Unfinished/Ongoing Business:**
- A. Enrollment Update: Dave provided an update on the current enrollment. No changes since last meeting with possible changes in the next semester.
 - B. Strategic Planning: Dave provided a rough draft of some dates as a starting point for the masterplan process in 2017 with more information provided at the auction. Area board members were invited to be a part of the different committees but not required. Dave spoke briefly about timelines and the budget of the plan. Dave spoke about some grant applications and funds potentially available. In early January there will be an announcement made to the general Saint Albert community.
- 5:50 8. **New Business:**
- A. Policies 426.1, 431, 433, 434.1, 454, 459, 466.1 reviewed with no revisions: Policies were presented. Fr. Kottas made a motion to approve stated policies. Second: Joan Gubbels
Approved: Y
 - B. Policy 458 1st Reading: Dave explained the policy and read the policy in full. Policy 458 will be reviewed and potentially voted on at the next area board meeting.
- 6:00 9. **Administrator Reports:**
- A. Paul Hans 6-12: A report was provided. Paul said that Kairos was held the previous week and was a great experience. There are ongoing conversations with Iowa Western about the possibility of students receiving dual credit in the future. Paul stated that the Olweus program will be introduced to new staff and a refreshed session for all other staff members. Students received training at AL to become technology interns. The blood drive took place recently. The middle/high school Christmas concert with an art show was held with a large attendance.
 - B. Anne Jensen PreK-5: A report was provided. Anne said the advent project took place with a generous showing of donations. Anne stated that 67 students were ones receiving these Christmas gifts. The elementary Christmas concert was held in the high school gym and was very well attended. A representative from Area 13/Green Hills will provide the Olweus training. Anne is on the advisory committee for the Raise me to Read program including Council Bluffs, Lewis Central and Iowa School for the Deaf. School attendance is a huge component in the success of that program and it was suggested that Saint Albert may want to review our current attendance requirements.
 - C. Dave Schweitzer: A report was provided. Dave pointed out that the concerts were very well attended. The middle and high school concert held in the auditorium was so well attended that more discussion will be held to determine if a change in location may be required. Dave stated that concerns of all types can be voiced to Area Board Members and those concerns can be communicated to Saint Albert administrators.

- 6:15** 10. **Committee Reports:**
- A. Facilities: Report was provided.
 - B. Finance: Report was provided. Lorrie Powers stated that the cash position is still a concern but the second half of the CTO payments as well as semi annual tuition payments are expected in very near future. There was an additional amount drawn on the line of credit. Dave Schweitzer said that Cathy Faurot is contacting the Diocese to inquire about using the Sharing God’s Gifts funds to use to pay down the line of credit. A question was asked about the timeline for the Hilltop Fund mailing. Dave Schweitzer stated that it is scheduled to be sent December 30th.
 - C. Policies: above
 - D. Faith Formation Committee: Report was provided. Rubin Ramirez said they spoke about Kairos, advent projects and the reconciliation process for students.
 - E. Executive Committee: agenda
 - F. SIAC: The next meeting will take place in January with a time adjustment of 7:00 p.m. with an opportunity to meet Fr. Bright. A question was asked if and how Saint Albert will support Fr. Monahan. Dave Schweitzer stated that Saint Albert will follow the policy the Diocese has in place regarding his restriction to serve publicly. Dave stated that individual community members have the ability to support Fr. Monahan in the manner in which they personally feel appropriate.
11. **Executive Session: none**
- 6:30** 12. **Closing Prayer: Sheryl Genereux**

Schedule of Meetings:

2016-2017		Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
4:00	Faith Form	4	1	6	3	1	5	2	2	6	4	1
5:00	Policy	8	12	10	14	12	9	13	13	10	8	12
Noon	Facilities	10	21	14	9	21	11	8	8	12	10	14
7:00	SIAC			24			23					26
5:30	Exec	16	20	18	15	13	17	21	20	18	16	20
5:00	Finance	16	20	18	15	13	17	21	20	18	16	20
5:30	Area Board	22	26	24	28	19	23	27	27	24	22	26
5:30	Found Board	15	19	17	21	19	16	20	27	24	22	19