

**ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Meeting Minutes
March 23, 2021 6:30pm**

Mission Statement

The members of St. Luke the Evangelist's Catholic School, together with our parish, commit to serving the students by ensuring that the teachings and values of Jesus Christ are integrated in all aspects of school life. We will serve as partners in the formation of life-long learners and living witnesses of Christ by leading lives of faith and stewardship.

1. Opening Activities

- a. Call to Order at 6:34 pm — Joe Schmidlein
- b. [Prayer](#)
- c. Roll Call – Joe Schmidlein
 - i. Voting Members Present - Katherine Garrett, Nate Newman, David Niedergeses, Steve Pins, Meghan Rupiper, Joe Schmidlein. Absent – Sam Knezevic.
 - ii. Non-voting Members Attending – Principal Misty Hade, Father Ken Halbur, Secretary Susan Grebasch
- d. Call for Additional Agenda Items – All members - none
- e. Approval of Agenda – All members
 - i. Steve Pins motioned for approval, Dave Niedergeses second. Agenda approved by all members present.

2. Open Forum (non-Board member presents information to the board)

- a. PBIS Update From Mrs. Battani
 - i. Program running well.
 - ii. All teachers are using the same language and structure to stay consistent throughout school.
 - iii. PBIS team meets once a month to review.
 - iv. Currently teachers working on Tier 2 – more development.
 - v. Recently received Honors Plus recognition from Iowa Department of Education for last year's program.

3. Reports (questions about reports that have been emailed prior to the meeting)

- a. Administrative Report – Principal Misty Hade – see report attached
 - i. Longhorn Dash scheduled for May 14.
 1. Parents welcome
 2. More information will be sent closer to event.
- b. Extra-Curricular Programming - Steve Pins – see report attached
 - i. Boys' Basketball – 5/6 team won division, trophy coming soon.
 - ii. Track – started. Will be three meetings and then a championship meet.
- c. Capital Campaign & Building - Father Ken Halbur
 - i. Currently on schedule.
 - ii. Financially still short of goal but have permission to get short-term long if need.
- d. Technology Captain – David Neidergeses – no report

- e. Grant Captains – David Neidergeses/Joe Schmidlein – no report
 - i. Principal Hade announced that St. Luke’s just received a grant from the state of Iowa using federal dollars to cover up to \$135,000 in COVID related expenses spent previously and to come.
- f. Finance Captain - Sam Knezevic – no report
- g. Policy/Handbook Captain – Katherine Garrett – no report
- h. SIAC Captain – Nate Newman/Meghan Rupiper
 - i. Board to start thinking of new goals to work on. More will be discussed at the April meeting.
- i. Family School Association Captain – Joe Schmidlein
 - i. Money scheduled for a new scoreboard in the gym.

4. Discussion Items

- a. Enrollment
 - i. Updated - currently 262 enrolled for next year with possible another three coming.
- b. Green Gala Update
 - i. Will be in person on Saturday, June 19.
 - ii. Held in gym and tent (weather permitting)
 - iii. Theme – Backyard BBQ. Less formal than past.
 - iv. Total capacity of 200. Ticket sales will be tables only, not individual due to short timing before event.
- c. Teacher Positions – Update
 - i. Contracts going out to returning teachers on March 26.
 - ii. Several positions will be open due to life events – moving, marriage, etc. Not necessarily due to salary but always an underlying theme.
 - iii. Working with a company, The Language Project, to have a Spanish teacher next year. K-5 one time a week, 6-8 meet twice a week.
- d. Sidewalk from Oxtoberfest
 - i. Working on bids to extend sidewalk on north side.

5. Introduction of New Items

- a. None.

6. Fr. Ken’s Comments

- a. Anticipate COVID restrictions changing/easing in the future.
- b. May be a larger Easter attendance due to easing and returning to church.

7. Closing Prayer

8. Adjournment—Joe Schmidlein

- a. Motion to adjourn at 7:30 pm. Steve Pins motioned, Megan Rupiper second. All present approved.

9. Next Meeting: April 27, 2021, 6:30 pm

Bulletin Blurb - During the meeting on March 23, 2021, Mrs. Battani covered the ongoing PBIS program and announced its recent Honors Plus recognition by the State of Iowa for last year's program. Enrollment continues to increase for next year as well as participation in extra-curricular activities. The 5th/6th boys' basketball team won their division championship. The school also received federal grant money to help cover expenses related to COVID-19 precautions. The Green Gala will be held in person on Saturday, June 19 at St. Luke's. More information and ticket sales to come. Teacher contracts for next year are going out, as well as working on new teachers and finalizing a Spanish teacher for next year. The next meeting is Tuesday, April 27 at 6:30 pm.

Principal's Report

March Board of Education Report

St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic School~ Misty Hade

Mission and Core Values:

We Pray~We Learn~We Serve

Vision:

St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic School is an inviting, positive community where ALL are respected, encouraged and challenged. As a family, we lead with a servant heart. We strive to build faith, academic, and emotional growth for each individual as a valued child of God.

- Enrollment Numbers: 2020-2021 (as of 3/1/2021)
 - Kindergarten: 35
 - First Grade: 36
 - Second Grade: 44
 - Third Grade: 39
 - Fourth Grade: 34
 - Fifth Grade: 20
 - Sixth Grade: 19- 1 online
 - Seventh Grade: 10- 1 online
 - Eighth Grade: 5 Total
 - Students: 242
- 260- current enrollment for the 2021-2022 school year as of 3/19/2021
- What is keeping us busy this month?
 - Pray:
 - Student-led Masses
 - Morning and afternoon prayer
 - Prayer before and after lunch
 - Stations of the Cross
 - Administrator Lent prayer on Fridays- attended by Misty
 - Learn:
 - Mrs. Battani and I led kindergarten conferences for Mrs. Hotchkiss's class.
 - Progress Monitoring
 - Additional assessment of students
 - Met with the school psychologist to discuss student data and next steps
 - Being a part of the interview team to hire a new AEA Regional Director that will work with St. Luke's.
 - Administrator meeting
 - Fire Foundation Conference- attended a virtual conference learning about inclusion in Catholic schools.
 - Serve:

- Success
 - Mission Day for St. Joseph Emergency Shelter
 - Enrollment
 - Receiving the 2nd dose of the vaccine
 - Coding Club 4th and 5th grade students
 - Boys Basketball
 - Track registration
 - Longhorn Bootcamp

Extra-Curricular Report

1. Coding Club for grades 4-5:
 - i. Begins this week.
 - ii. 15 students enrolled within 18 hours of the email being sent out.
 - iii. More information about what has been happening in the club to come at next month's meeting.
2. Basketball:
 - a. Season for both teams is over.
 - i. Both teams played all games here at the St. Luke's gym where fans were allowed (masks and social distancing was required)
 - b. End of season awards were handed out on Tuesday 03/09/21
 - i. These awards are named after various saints that reflect what that award was about.
 - c. 6-8th Grade team
 - i. Overall record of 2 wins and 3 losses
 - ii. Games were livestreamed on the St. Luke School Facebook page
 - iii. 10 players ranging from 6th – 8th grades
 - d. 5-6th Grade team
 - i. Won the Championship of Division D
 - ii. This is the first championship in basketball for St. Lukes (we placed 2nd last year)
 - iii. Overall record of 5 wins and 0 losses
 - iv. Games have been livestreamed on the St. Luke School Facebook page
 - v. 11 players ranging from 5th-6th grades
3. Track
 - a. Open to all students in grades 5th – 8th
 - b. Practice Schedule
 - i. Practices begin tonight 03/23/21 at St. Luke's
 - ii. Every Tuesday and Wednesday from 5:30-7pm
 - iii. Practice location may change throughout the season
 - iv. All grades will practice together
 - c. Meet Schedule
 - i. 5th and 6th grade meets (3 regular season meets)
 1. 04/12
 2. 04/26
 3. 05/03
 - ii. 6th and 7th grade meets (3 regular season meets)
 1. 04/05
 2. 04/22

3. 04/29
 - d. Championship meet
 - i. All Grades will participate in this meet (not all students will participate in this meet)
 - ii. 05/10
 - e. Coaches (Thank you!!)
 - i. Craig and Brandy Oberreuter
 - ii. Dillon and Kirsten Murray
4. Longhorn Bootcamp
 - a. Open to all students
 - b. Dates/times = 04/13/21 – 05/11/21 from 3:15-3:45pm
 - c. Cost \$30
 - d. Class size limited to 12
 - e. Created and run by Kate Ledyard
5. BeYOUtiful Bootcamp
 - a. Open to all girls in grades 3-5
 - b. Dates/times = 04/15/21 – 05/13/21 from 3:15-3:45pm
 - c. Cost \$30
 - d. Class size limited to 12
 - e. Created and run by Kate Ledyard
 - f. New to the lineup this year
 - g. Mission – Uniting young women to bring out the best in each other, to be strong in who they are as daughters of Christ. To lift each other up, discovering what true friendship means through our faith and to reveal new strengths in fitness and nutrition accomplishing what we think we cannot do.