

## **Immaculate Conception School Board Meeting August 15, 2023 Garden Level, 6:00 pm**

1. **Opening Prayer**
2. **Roll** Kyle Doerr, Jolene Sasser, Teresa Dorshorst, Lee Rinella, Jessica Wachtel, Andrea Bodinet, Brandy Dohle (a), Matt Vail (a), Bill Gregozeski, Marie Grasle, Jim Schuette, Mark Verticchio, Fr. Steve, Mr. Gregson, Kara Dell-Hunt
3. **Parents and Friends Report:**
  - Have not met this school year, but there's been a lot going on!
  - P & F have a tentative budget for the school year.
  - This year P & F were not able to provide the school supply boxes, in part to the supply lists coming out in the summer. P & F were able to still provide convenience to parents through a website called Teacher Lists that auto-populates our supply lists to a number of online stores (Target, Amazon, Walmart). The current lists will stay up on that site, allowing editing to be done as needed each year. Parents are big fans.
  - Over the summer, P & F also began assisting with the Queen of Hearts drawings and held a uniform resale.
  - P & F have a new spirit wear system where P & F will have an ongoing online store through Makers on Main and orders will be fulfilled on a regular basis. ICS theme shirts for this year have been added to the site and it is expected to also have past year's theme shirts added soon.
  - All teacher start-up funds of \$200 per teacher have given, as have the \$300 for each of our new teachers.
  - P & F has few events that they are gearing up for:
    - Back to School Social – Snow cones for all kids – August 20<sup>th</sup>
    - First Mom's Night Out of the school year – August 24<sup>th</sup> – 7 p.m. at Reifschneiders. This year will be a new program where moms from each class will take turns hosting. August is 8<sup>th</sup> grade and working down from there.
    - P & F was approached by Don Voelker of Tiny's to start a monthly "Dine Out for ICS". This will begin on Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> and then every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, thereafter.
    - Bags & Bubbly is Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at the Falls. This the second largest fundraiser of the year and pulls in the most money from outside of the IC community. Please share the event on your social media.
    - P & F will be selling fall mums again – Details will be forthcoming.
    - Square1 Art is happening this year and the supplies for art-making should be arriving at school any day. Ordering will be the same as usual – just prior to Christmas.
4. **Pastoral Council Report: No meeting in July.**

5. **Faculty Report:** New procedure will be one grade per month will give Mr. Gregson some facts about what is going on in that grade rather than a teacher needing to be present.

6. **Committee Reports:**

A. Teacher/Employee Committee: No report

B. Community Engagement Committee:

- First event of the school year was the delivering of the yard signs/tote bags/t-shirts/letters to the homes of all kindergartners and all new students 1-8. Jessica Wachtel led the charge on this.
- Provided snacks and water during the Meet the Teacher event. Jessica also managed this event. Some tweaks will be made for next year.
- We are preparing for the Columbia Days float. We are ordering a ton of candy & have some trinkets to hand out. New school year theme banners for the float.
- We are preparing for the Back to School Social and will be handing out any leftovers from the parade as well as some fun pencils.
- We are looking for School Board (or any) ICS families to walk in the parade and also School Board members to attend the Back to School Social and talk to people. For the social, we will be meeting at 2:15 p.m. to get tables and tents set-up.
- Following the start of the year rush, the committee will take some time to see what has traditionally been done by them and possibly shake it up a bit.

C. Curriculum Committee: Brandy will be the school board rep. They will be meeting with Mr. Gregson approximately once per month to discuss the curriculum and where each grade/teacher is at for the level.

D. Student Activities Committee:

Father's Club will set up a table for the games at Oerter. There will be an Athletic AD and/or Mr. Gregson there during home games for soccer and baseball games. We will see if we can find some parents who may be willing to help, as well. Need an adult to be the responsible person if there is an issue that can take charge.

E. Budget Committee: Closed out the fiscal year end of July. Made \$8,000 net profit. Employment costs were down \$90,000.00. Parish donations were down about \$200,000. Bills from last year – outstanding was

\$3000.00. Payment arrangements have been made with most of these families.

F. Discernment Committee: No report

G. Building/Grounds Committee:

- i. Campus Enhancement Subcommittees – Continuing forward. Meetings of subcommittees have begun. John Whitworth has been working with Army Corp of Engineers – Most permits apps are progressing forward.

H. Strategic Planning Committee: Final document has been sent out for our review.

7. **Principal's Report:**

Enrollment: 400

Faculty/Staff Professional Development: Dr. Kelly Stuart "The Energy Bus", Retired superintendent. College professor at McKendree. Title money was used for this professional development – so no cost to the school. Got the book – Energy Bus.

Active Shooter Drill with the Columbia Police Dept & Monroe County Sheriff's dept. Was very informative and went well. Learned additional information that is needed to assist during an emergency event.

All staff positions filled: faculty and cafeteria. Two new teachers (Kindergarten and 4<sup>th</sup>).

Ready to go tomorrow morning.

8. **Pastor's Report: Thank you to the Strategic Plan groups.**

Gave talk to the parents at the Meet the Teacher Night. Seemed to be well received. Teachers were blessed today.

9. **Old Business:**

A. Back to School/Meet the Teacher: MON, AUG 14 6:00-7:30

The first half seemed busier than the last half of the night. The teachers prefer the evening event over a Sunday. The teachers liked it split.

Appeared to go well, overall. Suggested doing a Blessing of the backpacks. Parking is a consideration for next year.

10. **New Business:**

A. Matt Vail has tendered his resignation. Kyle will contact the first alternate  
 – Barb Baum.

<b>ICS Class Sizes</b>				
<b>2023-2024</b>				
<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Boys</b>	<b>Girls</b>	<b>Total</b>
Whitworth	Pre-S	14	5	19
Helfrich	Pre-K	9	12	21
Velnosky	Pre-K	7	2	9
Murphy	KG	12	10	22
Billmeyer	KG	12	11	23
Borgmeyer	1	10	9	19
Neff	1	11	9	20
Meyer	2	14	9	23
Diewald	2	14	10	24
Kennedy	3	9	11	20
Wright	3	9	11	20
Crean	4	10	8	18
Ettling	4	9	10	19
Scheibe	5	9	6	15
Cornish	5	9	7	16
Schauster	6	10	11	21
Dillon	6	10	12	22
Tolan	7	7	9	16

Weiler	7	7	8	15
Kassebaum	8	10	9	19
Hrabusicky	8	10	9	19
Total		212	188	400