**St. Catherine of Siena Board of Catholic Education**

**Minutes for Meeting of 1/03/2023**

Opening Prayer: A Board Members Prayer

Roll Call - Present: Juliane Brown, Jenny Tallarigo, Colleen Copenhaver, Jenny Collopy, John David Kimes and Fr. Stef Becky Schill, Sarah Dinkelacker

Absent: Mike Jacks

**Public Relations/Marketing Committee Report (Jenny Collopy, Colleen Copenhaver, Jenny Tallarigo)**

Open House updates: Thank you post card for Open House are approved and being printed. FB review competition is going out and will use out of uniform passes as incentive for people to participate in that. Open House date and time new labels are ready for the signs to go out later this week. PTO is paying for a boost on FB right before Open House so that it shows up more frequently. Cost is minimal and does go out beyond people who follow St. Catherine.

Link advertising $350 for a quarter page ad which would also include a FB post as well. Possibly look into doing that if we are able to spend that amount. There is a paper and online edition and does have a good reach would likely be money well spent. Jenny C. will talk to Mike about that.

Colleen will head up organizing the tables and volunteers to come the day of to help promote the school at the Open House. She will contact Teresa to get that information in the bulletin as well. She will use the space for that this month instead of a Kolts Kudos. Possibly mention the Muench family as our next Kolts Kudos for all of their work.

Juliane will talk to Kelly about setting up a Facebook event page for the Open House.

Jenny C. will also look into advertising to the Messenger.

**Religious Education Report (John David Kimes)**

First meeting for the 2nd grade parents is coming up on January 12th. Already had the 8th grade parent meeting. Confirmation retreat will be moved to the Athenaeum this year.

Empowering Gods Children parent meeting was in December. About 8 parents from CCD and School attended. John David thinks there may have been some confusion about what the meeting was for since it was run by Virtus this time. The opt in and opt out forms are due January 16th so a reminder email will be sent and all the information will be in that. School date TBD still.

Family of Faith update: Still must meet with Fr. Stef to talk more about details. The correct communication about rolling out this program is so important for its success, so he is really wanting to be sure there is full support of the Board and Fr. Stef. One idea to help the roll out would be to have a small group of point people who have a good influence in the St. Catherine CCD community to support the introduction of the program and its roll out. We decided to make next meetings focus on this topic so that we can have a full discussion to give clarity about it.

St. Catherine and St. Thomas are having a youth group for middle school and high school students. So far it is going well.

The advent program for CCD was well attended and went well.

Theology of the Body classes will start February 14th.

**Evaluation/Planning Committee Report (Becky Schill)**

December minutes were approved.

**Policy Review Committee Report (Juliane Brown and Sarah Dinkelacker)**

Still waiting for updates for the pregnancy policy from Fr. Stef.

Will wait for new policy for CCD until next year because of the proposed changes to the program.

**Pastor’s Report (Father Stef)**

Poinsettias to the parish shut in’s went very well. He has heard many positive things about it. The visit is more important than the flowers but he wanted to thank the families for doing that.

Cameras and wiring were installed for the security system over the break. Not up and running but they did a lot of the work while no one was here so it will be minimal to get it all up and running.

The small incident during the tournament has been resolved.

**Representative Updates**

PTO Update:

Next meeting is on February 7th – focus on the Family of Faith program.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Stef

Adjournment