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

**Minutes for Meeting of 12/06/2022**

Opening Prayer: A Board Members Prayer

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

Absent: Becky Schill, Sarah Dinkelacker and Mike Jacks,

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

Family of Faith response to questions that were emailed. Discussions were had about the different schools that have implemented the Family of Faith program. St. Gertrude and St. Cecelia (in OH) are two that currently use the program. The goal is to have children learn the faith from primarily their parents. The home is where the faith should be taught, and this new program is designed to support that. There is a need to engage families in their faith formation and focus on teaching the faith. The hope is that it instills a stronger faith for a lifetime.

Also, the flexibility of the program seems that it would work better than what we have in place now for CCD.

John David would also like to be more intentional about the sacraments and focus on that when implementing the new program.

One idea brought up would be to make it very clear to parents at the beginning that they are encouraged to give feedback along the way so that we can make the change a success.

It is important to lay out to parents why this is such an important change that is needed. John David sees an opportunity for faith formation for the whole parish to bring the parish together as a community.

It was brought up about how the 4th and 5th grade missed out on some items the year they made First Communion because of COVID. It was discussed about possibly planning a field trip and small retreat to Our Lady’s Farm for them. John David will look into that.

**Principal’s Report (Mike Jacks)**

Board Survey was passed out.

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

Open House updates: Stickers are being printed. Date is set for January 29th. Thank you post cards are possibly being printed for Jr. High to fill out for people who attend. Mike is the lead for planning, and he reaches out for any help needed.

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

November minutes were approved with minor spelling changes.

Security Committee – Met recently and discussed other small ideas for helping to increase safety around the school.

Fr. Stef reported that the diocese approved the changes for the security system contract. They might be starting on the school over Christmas break.

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

Still waiting for updates for the pregnancy policy as well as the CCD policy.

**Pastor’s Report (Father Stef)**

Judy Newbery had a bad injury and is going to pull out of her duties on Parish Council.

There was an incident at the tournament that Boosters and Fr. Stef are handling with the other parish involved. He mentioned that other than that the Boosters are doing a great job and the tournament is going well.

**Representative Updates**

PTO Update: PTO and Boosters are purchasing classroom instruments for Ms. Hayden. They are planning the Christmas luncheon. Next Dine to Donate is at Frisch’s Bellevue next week.

Colts classic is going really well.

Next meeting is on January 3, 2023

Closing Prayer: Fr. Stef

Adjournment