

The Saint Thomas School Board met on September 2, 2020 at 6:00 pm in the library.

Opening prayer: Mrs. Bierman

Call to Order: Mrs. Bierman

Present were: Mrs. Bierman, Fr. Dean Probst, Amy Hartrich, Nikki Earnest, Brian Bierman, Jason Pitcher, Beth Shamhart, Ashley Ginder

Absent: Jenny Bierman, April Holkenbrink; Sarah Weiler

Visitors: Shae Zumbahlen

#### Old Business:

1. Soup Supper –
  - a. Soup Supper is scheduled for 2/28/2021.
2. Distinguished Graduate/Exceptional Service Award -
  - a. No new nominations received; no awards were given at the end of the 2019/2020 school year due to COVID. Will wait till next Spring for awards.
3. Trivia Night -
  - a. Trivia Night is scheduled for 2/6/2021.
4. Tuition Committee -
  - a. No new business, St. Thomas Finance council approved no tuition increase.
5. E-Rate Wabash –
  - a. Waiting for installation of Fiber Internet. Added more routers throughout school to help with internet service throughout building.

#### New Business:

6. Fundraisers -
  - a. We will continue to have as many as we can.
    - Laundry Detergent – just finished, we had more orders than last year.
    - School Store – Fundraiser is ongoing.
    - Bingo – Starts Friday night. Attendees will have to wear masks and we will need to watch number of attendees.
    - Trash bags – Upcoming
    - Garage Sale – Upcoming, Shoppers will need to wear masks and we'll need to watch number of people shopping at one time.
    - Booster Club discussed doing fall Porkburger sale since fall festival was cancelled.
7. COVID-19 Protocols -
  - a. Students and Teachers are doing well with changes in school.
  - b. Library is open – Kids are wearing masks and gloves inside, and books are quarantining for 72 hours when returned.
  - c. Kids are bringing water bottles daily.

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8. Late Stay Program -

- a. Program going great. Most kids are picked up by 4 most days. After 4, remaining kids go to cafeteria to work on homework.

9. Election of Officers -

- a. Jenny Bierman - President
- b. Nikki Earnest – Vice President
- c. Amy Hartrich - Secretary

Father Dean's Report: The Diocese will start a Parish Community Tithe instead of the Annual Catholic Services Appeal. The Tithe will be 10% of the Parishes income.

- Restricted donations and School income are not included.

Finance Report: Mrs. Bierman.

Positive Points:

1. Title testing is in progress.
2. Students and staff are doing a great job.
3. School received \$2,100 from the Orell Farley Foundation to provide Teachers with Streams.
4. School has received several donations.
5. Extra Aide has been a great addition to the Kindergarten class.
6. Kindergartners and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders did a great job making cards for Gwendolyn's Gifts.

Next school board meeting: October 7, 2020 at 6:00 PM  
Minutes respectfully submitted by Amy Hartrich