

The Saint Thomas School Board met on January 6, 2021 at 6:00 pm in the library.

Opening prayer: Brian Bierman

Call to Order: Jenny Bierman

Present were: Mrs. Bierman, Jenny Bierman, Amy Hartrich, Nikki Earnest, Brian Bierman, April Holkenbrink, Jason Pitcher, Sarah Weiler, Beth Shamhart

Absent: Fr. Dean Probst, Ashley Ginder

Visitors: None

Minutes approved by Nikki Earnest, seconded by Beth Shamhart.

Old Business:

1. Fundraisers –
 - a. Trivia - Waiting to hear about changes in regulations to see if we'll be able to have it this Spring.
 - b. Garage sale - We'll have another sale this Spring.
 - c. We will do another laundry detergent sale and possibly another trash bag sale.
2. Late stay Updates -
 - a. After 4:00PM fee has been increased to \$4 per person to help pay teachers for staying late.
3. Empower Illinois participation -
 - a. Every student on the waitlist has received a scholarship for the current school year.

New Business:

4. COVID-19 Updates -
 - a. We have several kids currently quarantined.
5. Catholic School Week January 31-5 -
 - a. We'll have mass on Wednesday.
 - b. May try to play Bingo with kids in the gym.
 - c. Planning movie day in classrooms.
 - d. We will have some dress up days.
6. Snow days (input) -
 - a. We will have Traditional Snow day in the event of inclement weather.
7. Sports -
 - a. Waiting for changes in regulations to determine if we'll get to play normal sports.
 - b. 6th, 7th, and 8th grade boys are practicing basketball.

Father Dean's Report: No report as Fr. Dean was absent.

Finance Report: Mrs. Bierman.

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Positive Points:

1. Progress is being seen in Title.
2. Students and staff doing a great job.
3. Looking to update technology in Kindergarten - going with a Samsung tablet.
4. We have received Memorial donations.
5. We added one new student, total enrollment is now 182.

Next school board meeting: February 3, 2021 at 6:00 PM
Minutes respectfully submitted by Amy Hartrich