



Education Committee Meeting
September 28, 2022 at 5:30 in Resource Room

Prayer:

Heavenly Father, we come to you today asking for your guidance, wisdom, and support as we begin this meeting. Help us to engage in meaningful discussion; allow us to grow closer as a group and nurture the bonds of community. Fill us with your grace, Lord God, as we make decisions that might affect the students, staff, family, alumni and friends of St. Mary's. Continue to remind us that all that we do here today, all that we accomplish, is for the greater glory of You, and for the service of humanity. We ask these things in your name, Amen.

Present: Hollie Mader, Jennifer Kindlarski, Teresa Loepfe, Jason Mechelke, Ryan Winkler, Miss Baeseman and Mr. Koch. Absent: Melissa Cook and Rick Loepfe

Reminder: The accreditation visit is Oct. 25th – 27th. The ed. committee is invited for dinner at 5:30 in the school cafeteria on Tuesday, the 25th.

I. Areas of focus – transparency (especially financial), governance, curriculum (especially vertical), schoolwide data and assessment (use of), PLCs, plans

- review of student, staff and parent surveys. Some of the plans, including financial information requested, are included in back to school packet, otherwise, impressed with the number of agrees in areas.

- curriculum, data and PLCs all have limitations due to the small size of our school.

II. Review of mission statement

We, the family of St. Mary's School, are committed to promoting Catholic values to God's children through faith, Christ-centered worship, service and academic excellence.

- reviewed and approved

III. Strategic Plan - including review of various plans

Review of strategic plan – *JKi add that we have existing charities and services that we work with under the care section. RW – change the participatory to include all the extracurriculars we participate in instead of the specific reference to Brains and Brawn as it looks like that's the only activity we participate in.*

a. succession – *TL asked about the succession plan for the plant manager which was added*

b. mentor – *reviewed, current plan in place*

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c. enrollment - review of enrollment data in relationship to those that are baptized at St. Mary's analyzed as well as the trend towards more families from outside the community. Exit interview reviewed with the addition of possible reasons to leave including dress code, lunch (nutrition), lunch (feeling secluded) added. Communication plan discussed with addition of Game Changer app and discussion on why changing especially athletic events is difficult. AB – suggested that St. Mary's logos especially on clothes be added to marketing.

d. technology - emphasis on upkeep in the future

e. facilities (including indoor environmental quality) – rubber playground flooring discussed, dirty (TL) but benefits of being softer

f. wellness – RW – staff section possible pay for MHS wellness center as a benefit

g. budget – looked at budget review graphs, including breakdowns of revenue and expenses

IV. Education Committee Survey

- all present completed the survey

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