**St. Luke School Commissions Meeting**

**April 6, 2021**

**Attendees:**

**Present**: Msg. Schaedel, Jonathan Grismore, Jen Schaffer, Kevin McCusker, Katee Schrage, Katie DeLisle, Katie Kumler, Larry O’Bryan, Mary Jo Woodside, Kevin Stitle, Biz Feldman, Joe Heidt, Mary Beth Cloud

Monsignor Schaedel opened the meeting with aa prayer.

Minutes from March 2 Commission Meeting were approved.

Tuition rates were approved by the School Commission. This increase will be approximately 3.5%. This year’s tuition does reflect an increase in teacher salaries as they did not receive an increase for this school year. Larry O’Brien presented an overview of the tuition plans.

Fortunately, since our return to school following Spring Vacation, we have had not students or staff members on the quarantine list.

The Archdiocese is implementing Power School in all of its schools. It is a K-12 education technology software that provides excellent and more effective management of school data. This is a powerful program that will be implemented K-8. Teachers will be trained on this program. There will be online trainings for parents so they can easily access a variety of parental supports including the ability to review student homework assignments. This is an innovative, K-12 education technology software that makes school management more manageable, provides many opportunities to support and assist student growth, and offers easier, simpler family engagement opportunities and involvement.

New Websites will be implemented for the School and the Parish. These will provide easier interfaces for users to these sites and easier inputting of information for the site administrators.

Kevin Stitle presented what was happening with the election of new School Board Members. Attached please find a list of the new member who will serve for three-year term.

The Strategic Plan Committee has worked hard to review and update the Strategic Plan. Katie Kumler presented the plan which was then discussed by the Board. Katie recommended that in the future the Committee divide the Strategic Plan updating and revisions to more manageable subsets over three years versus trying to do all of it at once.

We also discussed ways to help parents understand that attendance, for example, is a component of being an A School. It is not just test scores.

Changes in teaching positions or levels were discussed.

Enrollment numbers for next year are estimated to be 528 students. We have 39 new families joining our School Family.

Each Board Member is being asked to participate in summer meeting to discuss:

Attract and Retain Students: marketing ideas, advertising,

St. Luke Identity: e.g., Stem School, Differentiated Instruction, Small Class sizes.

It is intended that these Committee will help the Commission develop long term plans for what the School may look like in the future under a variety of scenarios.

These Committees will present their recommendations at the August meeting. It was suggested that potentially these will be presented to Parish and School Families.

Monsignor Schaedel closed the meeting with a prayer.