

## St. Therese Catholic School Board Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2024

**Present:** Martha, Terrie, Josh, Dennis, Laura, Lindsey, Deacon Dan, Chris, Fr. Michael, Patty

**Absent:** Fr. Carl and Trish

**Call to Order:** 5:35 pm

**Opening Prayer:** Josh

**Agenda:** motion Laura, second Josh; approved

**Minutes:** Time corrected from 2 a.m. to 2 p.m. on 1/12/24 and 3 to 4 p.m. not 8 p.m. on 1/17/24. Motion by Terrie to accept minutes with changes, second Patty; approved

**Giving Day:** Lindsey Freeman presented. Dates for GD will be 9/29 thru 10/5/24. This is near the same time as last year. Looking to change web server to a cheaper platform. The web page should include testimonials and new photos. E-mail will be going out to previous donors. Discussion on a "Give back day" to help build community relations and increase student/school presence in our City (Nursing homes, yard raking). It was recommended that the following businesses be contacted: Pediatricians, Insurance Agencies, Dentists, Contractors, Elks, Sons of Italy. Lindsey has scheduled meetings with prominent community members. Update at next meeting.

**Domain Information:** Chris Leri shared information about Google Education. STCS needs a new domain name to simplify transition. Chris will present at next meeting.

### **Principal Report:**

- Bingo is up and running. Stable bank balance. Four Wednesdays and last Friday of the month are designated for STCS. Volunteers are always needed. Janelle will be reimbursed for duties done outside the regular work day.
- Regarding outstanding tuition: good amounts were received in January.
- Dennis provided handouts on Classical Education and Strategic Plan. More detail and time lines are requested for the Strategic Plan. An addendum to the handbook was added to explain Classical Education.
- Therese Education Program (TEP) will be designated each day from 9:30 to 10:30.
- Staffing: Intent notices were returned to Dennis with all teachers planning on returning next year. Discussed teacher vacancies, salaries and BOCES money.

**Financial Report:** Josh shared a financial plan based on the current enrollment of 60 and projected enrollment of 75. Discussed tuition of children of teachers at STCS. Josh motions: If teachers have children enrolled in STCS and TEP, tuition will be waived. Laura seconds. Motion passed.

Josh motions: Raise full time Teachers salary to \$25,000 while school remains part of the TEP, with part time Teachers receiving a raise to \$12,500. Terrie seconds. Motion passed.

Josh motions: Students who opt of TEP pay \$5000 for tuition, pending Bishop Berg's approval of increase. Terrie seconds. Motion passed.

Terrie motions: Tuition for all students enrolled in STCS and TEP will be \$4000 for SY 2024/25 with sliding scale for multiple students in one family. Laura seconds. Motion passed.

**TADS:** Discussed options. Committee will present at next meeting.

**ACE:** Laura reports that all fundraising is progressing. Event planned for April 15 at 5:30 with details being finalized (liquor license, security, food trucks, music, and raffle).

**Other Business:** There will be two open positions on the Board at the end of this school year. Some names were discussed.

**Closing Prayer:** Deacon Dan

**Motion to Adjourn:** 8 p.m. Terrie motions, second Josh; passed.

**Next meeting** Tuesday, 3/12/23 at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes taken by Patty Brockman