PAC Meeting Minutes 10/28/24

Attendance: Beth Berkowitz, Steve Bennett, Molly Bruegge, Kara Farnham, Abigail Isbell, Tom Lieser, Jr., Mike McCafferty, Maggie Wuellner, Principal Jen Reker Murphy, Vice Principal Beth Mock, Fr. Jamie Weber, Marta, Haley Metzger(part)

Old Business:

A) School Expansion- Do we want to expand the school and why?

- Fr Jamie remains in contact with Chrissy Boron & Dan Kiley.
 - Inventory of properties, 'needs' assessment, initial new drawing of plans part of discussions
 - Need estimate of cost regarding studies
 - Cost for drawings is estimated \$54k
- Will Ed Choice continue? What happens if this program is ended or amounts decreased.
 - Ed Choice has not provided a spike in admissions. Most came during Covid.
 - o If Ed Choice is discontinued or reduced, surplus budget is affected.

B) Religious Curriculum- Haley Metzger

- Change made from 'Blessed are We' textbooks to 'Spirit of Truth'
 - Change made related to increased want for a more challenging religious curriculum
 - o Origin of curriculum: by Catholic Educators @ the Sophia Institute
 - Emphasizes scripture
 - Sophia institute very involved in supporting teachers
 - Teachers have the ability to schedule virtual meetings with support staff
- Parental concerns have been voiced regarding age appropriateness.
 - Haley will take deeper look.
- Increased desire has been expressed for Theology of the Body
 - Fr. Jamie's goal would be to have a permanent theology teacher/team. He will coordinate the search.

C) Safety at School/Church/Sporting Events/Police Presence & Update from Abigail Isbell

- Abigail Isbell Update
 - Spoke with Chris Ernst retired police officer @ Elder HS to get idea of cost/details
 - Multiple part time PO on staff to cover entire week
 - PO present when kids are in school
 - Walks campus at beginning/end of day and works in office monitoring school cameras
 - FOP has lots of retired PO looking for this type of work
 - Paid in-house. Elder \$30/hr, Seton, \$35/hr. No benefits
- Are there any AOC guidelines regarding liability?
 - This will be discussed at the AOC business managers meeting in November

- Financials
 - o Beth is applying for Grant x1 year. Submits in November. Results in 2-3 months.
 - Grant usually prioritizes to schools who have not been awarded a recent grant in past.
 - o Finance committee has agreed to fund an on-campus PO if found r/t surplus
 - o Cost of PO will be on school budget
 - Can some of FunFest funds be earmarked for PO?
- D) Mental Wellness- Pushed to November Meeting

New Business:

- A) 2024-2025 School Calendar- Stewardship Month
 - Stewardship month (Oct) used to allocate Priest resources
 - Fall break did not affect #'s
 - Will consider early dismissals and proximity to breaks in future calendars.
- B) <u>I-ready- Is there a process for low results and how do we preform against the nation? –</u> Pushed to November meeting.

Future Agenda Items:

- Mental Wellness
- I-Ready- is there a process for low results and how do we preform against the nation?
- Follow up of AOC discussion regarding Safety Officers @ November business managers meeting.

Next Meeting:

• November 21, 2024 9-10am