



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

6:00 PM, Lower Campus Library

Board Member Attendees: Patrick Ellis, AJ Fossel, Joel Postma, Joe Sculer, Merri Baxter, Jamel Debri, Daniel Longo,

School Staff Attendees: Joe Gietzen, Father George, Darrell Beckwith & Amanda Cusack

Excused Absences: John McMahon

Joel Postma opened the meeting in prayer at 6:00pm

Members introduced themselves, how they are affiliated with All Saints Academy, the parish they are members of and why they were asked to join the board.

AJ Fossel moved to approve tonight's agenda and October's minutes, Joel seconded the motion. Approved by consensus.

Joe Gietzen gave the principal's report. He discussed Advent and the activities occurring at both campuses. Last week, reconciliation was offered at the Upper Campus for all students grades 3 through 8. Reconciliation was voluntary, however close to all students participated. Third grade visited Lansing as their annual field trip. Marlene Wiser, Steam teacher, had this class create a replica of the Mackinac Bridge out of K'nex pieces as a part of their time in the Helen Walsh Stem Lab. Eaglefest was a big hit again this year, with a gross profit of over \$103,000. The Raise the Paddle fund for teacher support raised over \$20,000. Dollar jean day started again, with proceeds going to The Community Food Club. Santa Secret Shop occurred at both campuses last week. A donor donated a rose bush in memory of Donna Sacha, former childcare teacher at ASA.

Father George Darling is retiring as pastor of Blessed Sacrament Parish as of the end of December. He will remain as the canonical administrator of All Saints Academy.

Eaglefest was a success. This was the third consecutive year that gross profit was over \$100,000. Darrell explained how some of these funds will be used for staff wages as compared to overall operations.

Darrell Beckwith briefly reviewed the financial report. Darrell and Father George explained that ASA does not pay to maintain the buildings that the school occupies. Each of the four parishes maintains their buildings including former or current school buildings.

Joe Gietzen walked through the 2022-2023 Annual Report, which can be found on the website at asagr.org.

AJ Fossel reminded everyone that our next meeting will be the Parish Summit on January 16th at St. Alphonsus Parish Center.

AJ Fossel closed with prayer at 7:10pm