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Fr. Mark Tomasiewicz, Pastor
Fr. Craig Loecker, Pastor
Katy Chattin, Principal
Michaela Smith, Director of Operations

School Board Minutes – October 21, 2025
Submitted by Chris Johnson

Attendees – Fr. Loecker, Fr. Tomasiewicz, Katy Chattin, Michaela Smith, Sigrid Moylan, Susan Proulx-Herron, Drew Becerra, Sarah Crotzer, Ali De Bruhl, Howie Edwards, Charlie Holcomb, Chris Johnson, Colette Martin, Timothy Sutton, Keith Williamson

Absent – Desiree Nownes

Call to Order and Introductions

- Meeting began with a Prayer offered by Fr. Tomasiewicz

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes for the September 16 meeting were approved as submitted.

Committee Reports

- **Development Committee**:
  - Update of calendar events
  - Enrollment Updates
  - Grant Applications
    - Mission Imagination
  - Online School Reviews
  - Fall 2025 Alumni Newsletter Publication
  - BOLD 2025 Fundraiser
    - Gym HVAC/Lavigne Matching Grant will be the focus of GIVE
  - State of School flyer sent out to school community
  - SPSL – 70 years of education

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- **Education Committee:**
  - Katy provided input on Education Committee
    - Brainstorming session on how it could be updated / transformed to be more effective
    - Reviewing National PTA Standards for opportunities
    - Main concern is making sure we are addressing the appropriate concerns, to maximize effectiveness of parental involvement.
  - Sarah – Student Led Sunday Masses (encouraged and incentivized with dress down day)
    - Restaurant night: Godfather's on 108th & Maple - 10/22
- **Finance Committee:**
  - Expenses are in-line with budget for this time of year.
  - Both parishes are up to date
  - Outstanding tuition collection outpacing previous years.

Principal Report:

- Catholic Identity
  - Last year the Rosary was added once a month after Mass
    - It will be included in October and May.
    - Want to be sure it is still meaningful and engaging for the kids.
    - Will be done October 24th following mass.
  - Academic Excellence
    - Science of Reading – Nebraska Reading Improvement Act.
      - Archdiocesan- wide effort professional development.
    - Importance of Parent/Teacher Conferences – make sure we are promoting to others.
      - 10/30/25. 9:00 – 6:30 (break from 1:00 to 2:00).
      - Participation is usually around 80% - 90%.

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Director of Operations Report:

- BOLD 2025 Fundraiser – 10/25/25
    - Record participation (over 370 tickets sold)
    - Sponsorships makes-up 1/3 of the funds raised. Have surpassed last year's total already.
    - Restaurant night reminder
- Finances / Facilities
    - On schedule through Q1
    - Staffing is all in line.
    - Unplanned maintenance items in Q1
        - Dishwasher, fire system, tree trimming
    - Exterior lighting upgrades on school buildings to occur this fall; funded by grants/fundraising
    - South Gym Entrance enhancements
- Security / Safety
    - Have reached out to law-enforcement within the school community about the possibility of presence during school masses and events.

New/Old Business

- 2024-2025 Teacher Exit Interviews
    - Have been doing exit interviews for about 5-6 years.
    - As we take on new students, we are being proactive to ensure we don't overload already stressed support systems.
    - Tim Sutton commented that the support system from within the school community particularly stands out, in spite of a persistent lack of professional resources, and that is a significant strength of ours and emblematic of our emphasis on Catholic identity!
    - Request was put forth for suggestions of an individual with HR experience for conducting the exit interviews in May 2026.
- 2025-2026 Staff Survey
    - Survey will go out on November 3rd, from School Board President, Sigrid. Katy sends a follow up request.

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- Survey has been conducted for at least the past 5 years.
- We will review past information to identify trends.

- Christmas Party December 19th
  - Susan Proulx Herron will be sending out sign-up information

Closing Prayer

- Meeting concluded with a prayer offered by Fr. Loecker

Meeting was adjourned