

**SPRINGFIELD CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI**

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 13th, 2023

Springfield Catholic High School 7:00 PM

Present: Kent Lammers, Jane Fairchild, Shelby Williams, Boyd Crockett, Jeanne Skahan, JoAnne Bailes, Cheryl Bond, Suzanne Cronkhite, Sr. Cecilia Ann, Mike Johnson, Ashley Harris, John Griesemer, Margaret Calliotte, Michelle Auzias de Turenne

Absent: Fr. Lewis Hejna, Fr. Patrick Nwokoye, Msgr. Tom Reidy, Paige Duda

Guests: Casey Wilkerson

OPENING PRAYER 7:05pm Fr. Tom Kiefer opened the meeting with a prayer.

REVIEW OF CONSENT ITEMS

The March Minutes and April Consent Agenda items were reviewed prior to the meeting. A motion to approve the consent items and minutes was made by John Griesemer and seconded by Boyd Crockett. The motion was approved.

REPORTS

Financial Statements: The March financials were reviewed. A motion to approve the financials was made by John Griesemer and seconded by Jane Fairchild. The motion was approved.

Enrollment as of today reflects 2 students up from budget. Margaret also went over the Endowment Scholarship process. She also mentioned that they awarded \$246, 511 this year for scholarships.

Director of Development: The Development Board had their monthly meeting today. Suzanne thanked everyone for attending Emerald Evening. The event was a huge success and raised over \$736K. Of the funds raised, \$408 was for the Shepherds' Fund. There were 480 people in attendance. It was the largest attended Emerald Evening thus far. Emerald Evening 2024 will be on February 24 at the Oasis. There is a Shepherds' Fund event coming up on April 30th hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Lee Viorel. The annual School Board/Development Board meeting will be held on May 11th at 12:00pm.

Suzanne also mentioned the Development Board voted to keep the endowment funds in the equity growth. School Board members approved this decision.

OLD BUSINESS: Margaret presented the second reading of the 2023-2024 Budget. A motion was made by John Griesemer to approve the budget and was seconded by Fr. Tom Kiefer.

Shelby Williams represented the Maintenance and Construction committee report and spoke about needing to get a scope of work bid on the science wing. Shelby will keep the board up to date on this ongoing situation.

NEW BUSINESS: Policies First reading

- 1.21 Tuition
- 1.21A Guidelines for Collecting Tuition
- 1.22 Prorated Tuition
- 1.23 Refund of Tuition

Casey Wilkerson from Springfield Police Department came and spoke to the School Board about current safety concerns and the possibility of getting school police resource/protection officers at each of our schools. Casey spoke about active shooter training, current SPD response times, along with various ideas on how to protect our schools.

Sr. Cecilia Ann spoke about the grant that was written on Springfield Catholic Schools behalf. She mentioned some of these funds could be allocated to the Safety budget for these officers. Sr. Cecilia Ann also mentioned wanting to keep Task9 for one more year. During the last month of school, each building will have a Task9 officer at their building to ensure safety with all the spring events happening.

CLOSING PRAYER Msgr. Tom Reidy closed the meeting with a prayer.

The meeting ended at 8:25 p.m.