



# PRINCE OF PEACE SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES – OCTOBER 10, 2017

Those Present: Jane Shriver, Melinda Yaklin, Kelli Thompson, Kasie Broeckelman, Tracy Day, Andrew Calovich, Amanda Berger, Scott Richlin

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

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We have almost completed the first quarter of a new school year. We have had a good start to the year. Alana Artzer has stepped up to chair our gala. This will be her 2<sup>nd</sup> time chairing this event and we are very appreciative! November 28 is Giving Tuesday and POP will participate in that day with the #iGiveCatholic campaign. Lowest online credit card donation is \$25. Early giving starts Nov. 10 and will end Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>. This is a separate fundraiser for school, parish and EEC, but all are participating. Our goal is raise funds for STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics) Resources. We will use videos, flyers, facebook, email, morning drop-off and Grandparent's Day to raise awareness. We will also send a thank-you the week following our campaign.

MAP testing went well and we will have a teacher in-service to review student results. At Parent-Teacher Conferences, parents will receive their child's Kansas Assessment scores from last Spring and Fall MAP testing scores. The 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter will be busy with sacrament retreats, Halloween/All Saints Day Parties, parent-teacher conferences, the 8<sup>th</sup> grade play, Grandparents Day, Christmas Store and Christ the King Christmas Service Project.

Mrs. Shriver explained the School Revenue and Expense Report for 2016-2017. The greatest expense for any school is salaries and benefits of staff. Textbook/workbook budget has decreased as publishers have changed their structure where the costs occur upfront for multiple year (5-7) textbook purchases, we have been fortunate PTO has paid for most of these upfront costs. More instructional material is also available online. Parish subsidy for 2016-2017 was approximately 38% of the school budget. The report will be shared with the school families in a future newsletter. Mrs. Shriver pointed out that this report does not include our PTO budget. We are thankful for the PTO funds which help the cover instructional materials, technology and other expenses which greatly benefit the school.

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## OTHER INFORMATION SHARED

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New staff members were discussed. Our new counselor, Melanie Mohr, is a licensed marriage & family counselor. She will work 30 hours a week. Our new art teacher, Adam Moos, is a school parent who has experience as an elementary and high school art teacher in the Olathe School District for several years. We welcome both of them to the POP staff!

Mass security was discussed. When our students attend Mass, that is the only location and time of the day when they are not secured behind a locked external door. The possibilities of a Guardian Angel program were discussed. Virtus-trained parents or our specials teachers would sign up to stand in the vestibule during Mass, greet church-goers, ensure that students get to the bathroom and back to their class safely, and would alert teachers if ever there was an emergency. A sign-up could be created on our TimeToSignUp website.

The council reviewed the Strategic Plan's Implementation Worksheet. We will begin to develop how we can make the Call to Action items a reality by 2021 at our next meeting.

The next meeting is Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at 5:30 in the office conference room.

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