



School Advisory Council (SAC) - St. Peter Catholic School

December 6, 2023

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Location:

SPCS Lecture Hall and Virtual

Agenda:

1. Call to Order (Mr. Hammons)
2. Opening Prayer (Fr. Gregory)
3. Approval of Minutes (Mr. Hammons)
 - a. Mrs. Dover requested a change to the November 8, 2023, minutes to reflect that she is a member of the Finance Committee. The change was made.
 - b. Mrs. Thompson moved to approve the October 11, 2023, minutes and the revised November 8, 2023, minutes as noted in 3(a) above. Mrs. Kosiarek seconded the motion. The motion carried and both minutes were approved.
4. Approval of Bylaws (Mr. Hammons)
 - a. Mr. Hammons called for a voice vote for the bylaws. No objections were heard. The changes to the bylaws were passed.
5. Budget and Tuition Increase (Mrs. Brook and Mr. Hammons)
 - a. The diocese has asked the school to finalize 2024-2025 tuition rates this month.
 - b. The Parish Finance Council is attempting to completely bifurcate the school and parish to better understand the operating costs. Therefore, additional costs (e.g., utilities, maintenance, cleaning) will be added to the school budget. However, the parish will continue to support the school financially at a significant level.

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- c. Last year, SAC agreed to move teacher salaries from 80% to 90% of D38 public school salaries based on the *prior year's* published salaries. For 2024-25, the intent is to match D38 teacher salaries based on D38's published data for 2023-24.
- d. Last year, the increase was \$400/student (to \$5700) for parishioners and \$600/student (\$5900) for non-parishioners. Approximately 10% of study body is non-parishioners. Multi-student discounts apply to parishioners and non-parishioners.
- e. SPCS has one of the lowest differences between parishioners and non-parishioners in the diocese; some are as high as \$1000. Overall, SPCS has the lowest tuition in the diocese. Other schools charge extra fees as well that SPCS does not charge.
- f. Recommendation to Fr. Gregory is to increase tuition by \$400/student (\$6100) for parishioners and \$600/student (\$6500) for non-parishioners. Suggestion is to approach non-parishioner families individually to discuss the increase and direct them to appropriate financial resources if needed.

6. Closing Prayer

(Mrs. Brook)

Attendees (all virtual)

Fr. Gregory, Pastor
 Debbie Brook, Principal
 Debby Dover
 Karen Kosiarek, Secretary
 Katie Torris

Linda Thompson
 Maxine Biggs
 McKenna Anderson
 Stew Hammons, Chair
 Victoria Goetz

Next meeting:

January 10th @ 5:00 p.m. in the SPCS Lecture Hall

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