

Agenda: FEBRUARY 2025 Annunciation School Advisory Council Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2025 Time: 6:30 p.m. Location: In-Person Meeting (Spirit Center)

#### Meeting Attendees (P = Present A= Absent)

X X X	Meggie Meyer - Chair Dan Brady- Vice Chair Molly Stommes- Secretary	Prayer for Annunciation Catholic School Heavenly Father, we praise you for the gift of Annunciation Catholic School and we ask blessings upon our students, parents, teachers, and staff. May Annunciation always be a place where your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, is welcomed, loved, and adored. Pour out the Holy Spirit on our students so that they may grow in faith, wisdom, and service. Give us the courage to be joyful witnesses of the Gospel and may our joy attract many, filling the school to capacity. Help us to be like our great patroness, Mary the Mother of God, who always said "Yes" to your holy will. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
x x x	Father Bob Hart – Pastor Christine Spevacekl - Interim Principal Matt DeBoer- Assistant Principal ChristyMcFadden-Enrollment/Health	
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### I. Call to Order 6:30 pm Opening Prayer

- Approval of February 2025 Agenda- Motioned by M.Meyer, 2nd by M.Scherf
- Approval of January 2025 Minutes- Motioned by M.Meyer, 2nd by D.Brady

### II. Open Public Forum 6:35 pm

None

# III. General Reports 6:35-7:15 pm

• Principal's Report

• DWAS Update - Biggest year, estimate \$125,000 in gross earnings (increase in \$30k from previous year)

• Matrix/letter feedback - Email update to follow to improve communication. Consideration given to rolling out after discussion with ASC. Demerits have decreased in comparison to the first 2 quarters. Qualitative reports from teachers indicate students are more responsive to warnings. Reflection sheets offer opportunity for restorative conversations between students and peers/teachers.

 Nonpublic School Funding Update - Discussed proposed cuts to funding. The effect on Annunciation would be in textbook dollars, counseling funds for 7th and 8th graders, and nursing support. Estimates indicate approx \$540 per student in lost assistance. Administrators are lobbying but encourage phone calls by all to local legislators.

• Cold Weather - Typically do not follow MPS. School admin evaluates other private and public schools along with staffing considerations for those traveling a distance as well as daycare needs. For cold weather, the preference is to make the call in the evening. -35 F windchill is often the cutoff for many districts to consider closing and delaying.

• 2025-2026 School Calendar - NCEA conference will be held in Minneapolis April 7-9,2026. Archbishop Hebda is requesting attendance. All teaching staff would be required to attend for professional development. Question if extended day would be open for 4/7 and 4/8. • Improv and Spring Musical

- Spring Musical: Large interest, 68 auditioned for stage roles and everyone will have a role in the show.

- Improv: Discussion around future of improv with possibility of utilizing the spring musical as a replacement legacy activity for middle school students. Proposed small improv show this year with opportunity for feedback on continuing. Council supports allowing Ms. Stang curriculum and creative control.

Uniform Update: Work towards a uniform vs a dress code in order to unify and reduce exclusion. Discussion regarding cost to families and how to phase in

- Church Updates -
  - Father Dennis Zehren will start 7/1/25 but will have direct involvement in principal search.
  - Principal Search: Candidate interviews will take place later in February. Survey results had strong participation
- APO updates
  - A Night in Paris Dance on 2/22/25
  - Mini Grants -- (JAN) Games for Becca Heer's 4th grade class -- \$200 approved. (DEC) Acrylic Shelving for Library -- \$179 approved.
  - Staff Lunches/Treat drops -- alternating monthly.
  - Evereve Spring Fundraising Event -- Thursday, March 27th

• Enrollment, Marketing, and Health updates - 251 enrolled, 77 pending applications. Enrollment committee is compiling ideas for advertising. Discussion regarding ways to increase enrollment without added costs.

# IV. Committee Updates 7:15-7:45 pm

- Committee Updates- plan for committee goal review in March
  - 1. Facility/Campus Environment & Security Working on plan for updating all bathrooms
  - 2. Finance Committee Enrollment and sustainability
  - 3. Policy Committee- Bylaws update
  - 4. Marketing/Events & Enrollment See above.
  - 5. Strategic Long Term Planning- Survey 2025- Created recommendations sheet for
  - developing a non-academic strategic plan for the school
- Year at a Glance- New members for 2025-2028 term.

VII. Adjourn 7:45/8 pm - Moved by M.Meyer, 2nd by K.Kelly