

BILLINGS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS BOARD MEETING

August 16, 2023 at 4:00pm

BCS/BCSF Board Room

Approved Minutes

Opening Prayer	Joe
Attendance	<p>Andrew McDonald, Joe Sylvester, Toby Maack, Mark DeHart, Mark DeBourg, Tyler Wiltgen, Christine Harris, Bobby Beers, Deb Hayes, Michelle Trafton, Adam Liberty, Fr. Steve Zabrocki, Lisa Bruno, Jenn Beckwith, Nolan Trafton, Leslie Schaff, Peter Hamilton</p> <p>Leah Gibson, Danielle Watson, Joanna Brailer, Heather Mueller</p> <p>Absent: Rick McCann</p> <p>Everyone introduced themselves for the benefit of new board members.</p>
Meeting Minutes	Meeting minutes from June 21 st were not approved. They will be voted on at the next meeting.
Superintendent Update	Angel Turoski left the position of Superintendent as of June 30 th . Christina Vierra McGill has taken over but does not have Superintendent certification. Andrew is taking steps to maintain the school's accreditation as a result. Andrew and Danielle are meeting with her on Monday, August 21.

FOUNDATION REPORT

BCSF President	<p>Adam</p> <p>The Foundation just wrapped up the Ram Scramble and Adam thinks it will bring in about \$30k.</p> <p>The Rams Day of Giving is next up, on October 12th. Adam is reaching out to teachers for project ideas.</p> <p>BACET 50th Anniversary events are being planned to celebrate the inception of the endowments.</p> <p>Parent Night is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 9 from 7-10 pm. It is geared toward families new to the school system, but everyone is invited.</p>
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ADMINISTRATION REPORT

BCCHS	<p>Nolan states the high school had a lot of student activity over the summer, with the AMP Performance training in the gym. He met with seniors recently to help prepare them for graduation. Activities have begun practices.</p> <p>Deb informed the board that new film was added to the windows of St. Francis for security. The teachers are in the building and getting their rooms set up for school to start Monday.</p> <p>Michelle updated the board on the projects being completed at the ECE building. Carpet has been installed in 4 classrooms. The playground, gym fan, and furnace are all expected in October. The facility is closed this week for their annual cleaning and classroom preparations.</p>
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COMMITTEES AND TASK FORCE REPORTS

<p>Finance Committee Next meeting: Sept. 19th 4:00 p.m. BCS Boardroom</p>	<p>Mark: Overall, the committee is pleased with the position of the budget, \$200k over budgeted revenue. A few committee members are researching the Employee Retention Credit program to see if it would be appropriate for BCS. The committee is pleased with the Sarpy bus contract. Bobby applauded Andrew and Leah’s leadership and thanked them, particularly for implementing a new AR system to streamline the process.</p> <p>June/Year-End Financials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toby made the motion to approve the June/Year-End financials. Jenn seconded the motion and it passed unopposed. <p>Sarpy Transportation Contract</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tyler made the motion to approve the contract with Sarpy for the 23/24 school year. Toby seconded the motion and it passed unopposed.
<p>Tech Committee Next Meeting: 10/03/23 3:30pm</p>	<p>Toby: Toby praised Joanna for having iPads ready to go for the students on the first day of school. Joanna stated that they are also working on integrating Powerschool and Schoology so that only one login is needed for both. She also is working on the bell system at St. Francis.</p>
<p>SEM Committee Next Meeting: TBD</p>	<p>Lisa: Lisa told the board that the committee has not met since the last board meeting. They plan to meet the first Monday of each month, with the exception of September due to Labor Day.</p>
<p>Facilities Committee Next Meeting: 9/12/2023 5:30pm</p>	<p>Joe: Joe reiterated that the committee is focusing on energy efficiency updates.</p>
<p>Governance & Nomination Committee Next Meeting: 09/07/2023 4:00pm</p>	<p>Jenn: Jenn stated that the committee is working on updating the bylaws and asked that any feedback be submitted by September 7th, as that is their next meeting. She also asked that board members refer to the bylaws in the folders provided, as other versions may not be updated. An additional meeting will be held on September 28th for the bylaws, and then one on October 12th to work on board member recruitment procedures.</p>
<p>Mission & Catholic Identity Next Meeting: 4:00pm</p>	<p>Bobby: Bobby informed the board that the committee will have a Catholic Identity engagement during the PIR day meetings in October. They also plan to bring in a public speaker in the spring.</p>

BCS REPORT

BCS Updates	<p>Danielle: Danielle wrapped up the science standards over the summer and will begin working on the social studies standards next. The focus for each standard will include aligning them with more Catholic content. She is also busy planning the October PIR days, where all Montana Catholic educators are invited. She asked for a parent volunteer to talk to the group during a breakout session about why they chose Catholic school for their child.</p> <p>Andrew: Ana will be transitioning to an AP role in addition to HR responsibilities. As a result, Heather Mueller from the Foundation will be taking over the front desk position and will attend Finance Committee and Board meetings to take minutes.</p>
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CHAIR REPORT

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Board Orientation Followed-Presented by Andrew McDonald

UPCOMING DATES:

Next School Board Meeting: September 20, 2023, BCS School Board Room.

Executive Session: No