

**Saratoga Central Catholic School
Board of Trustees**

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 26, 2025

Opening

The regular meeting of the Saratoga Central Catholic School Board was called to order at 4:34 pm. Trish Dugan led the opening prayer.

Present

Dan Kumlander- Chair, Jeff Pompa – Vice Chair, Trish Dugan - Secretary, Steve Benton, Mike Lenz and Rose Place were present. Chris Signor - School Principal, Lisa Moser and Father James Ebert were absent.

State of the School Report: (Chris Signor, Principal)

- Principal Signor was not available but had given information to Chair, Dan Kumlander to discuss in his absence.
 - Re-registration is up 80%.
 - There are currently 210 students. 2 new students came last month and 2 left.
 - The spring open house had 11 families tour. 6 students shadowed
 - There will be a total of 36 new students coming next year. (32) - 6th graders are committed they will hit 40, (2) - 8th grader (1) - 9th grader and (1) - 11th grader.
 - The rising senior class will be capped at 40.
 - There are new application requirements for enrollment selection process.
 - There are currently 8 periods in the day there was a discussion on whether or not the plan is to go back to 9.
 - Principal Signor had a meeting with Greenwood Roofing and discussed splitting the roof repair project in half. The gym roof will be repaired in the summer and the rest of the roof will be repaired in the fall or spring. The cost and asbestos were questioned by the board and Chair, Dan Kumlander will bring these to Principal Signor for review.

Committee Reports:

a. Enrollment and Retention (Nikki Hartmann)

- Nikki Hartmann reported to Chair, Dan Kumlander
 - Enrollment stats were reviewed as enrollment is up.
 - It was also mentioned that it had been discussed putting forth a class weekly for new students entering 6th grade on how to navigate middle school in general along with FACTS. More information is needed but it is a concept to assist new students to acclimate more efficiently.

b. Mission Enhancement (Trish Dugan)

- The Campus Ministry Report was submitted by Pat Douglass. The Peer Leaders continue to lead morning prayers and pledge. Students are also writing their own prayers according to the days in the Liturgical calendar.
- Service Club is assisting the drama troupe serving refreshments and promoting raffle ticket sales. They are also gathering children's band aids for the Children Infusion Center of Albany in their final service fundraiser for the 2024-25 school year.

- The Campus Ministry has completed 4 retreats with St. Mary's of Ballston Spa and are awaiting new dates for the 9th and 10th grade retreats at SCC. Plans are being made for the BOCES Prom to be held at the St Peters Parish Center on May 9th from 6-8:30. 11th Graders will be taking the reins. There was an ash service on Ash Wednesday, but no mass. There will also be reconciliation on April 1st with 6 priests participating. Last year, 119 students received reconciliation. The Living Stations of the Cross will be held on April 10th and the Seniors will present.
- Religion / Theology Report from Rita Penny
6th grade continues to study the stories of Samuel, Saul, David and Solomon. 7th grade is working through Jesus' teachings, especially alms giving and the Eucharist. 8th grade is exploring the middle ages, Latin mass, Gothic architecture and Crusades. 9th Grade is learning about the Holy Trinity.
- Theology Report from Tom Horn
10th grade in March learned about spreading Christianity and in April will focus on the Circle of Grace to recognize Gods' Love. Theology 11 in March learned about the Sacraments of Healing and Service and in April will focus on the Circle of Grace. Theology 12 in March was focused on Life and dignity of the human person and in April will focus on the Circle of Grace respecting ourselves and everyone else as a person's created and loved by God.

d. Finance (Dan Kumlander)

- The balance sheet shows that cash is up \$113,300 over same time last year 2/28/24.
- A/R up \$62,600 over same time last year 2/28/24.
- Profit and Loss shows off budget on tuition by \$14,776 (negative)
- Tuition in arrears \$42k
- Bus fees we only have \$400 to date. We may need to end the program for the North Country Bus. Last year to date we had \$5,000 collected.
- We will be off budget on MST – NYS funds by \$58,453 – discussed prior.
- Cafeteria revenue is \$67,834 compared to \$43,293 last year to date. Cafeteria expenses are \$43,683 compared to \$39,798 last year to date.
- Actual labor costs are off budget by \$14,070.
- We are behind on net budget of \$68,000 year to date. Budget has us in the black for full year \$5,000. Material reasons for decrease. Decrease in Tuition \$14,776 and decrease in MST – NYS \$58,453

e. Facilities (Jeff Pompa)

- Nothing to report at this time.

f. Nominations (Lisa Moser, Jeff Pompa, Rose Place)

- Saratoga Central Catholic is still seeking community members for the BOT

Additional Agenda Items

1. **Old Business:** There was a discussion of Rise and the Senior Center and the current status of the building across the street along with the plan in the future.
 2. **New Business:** None
- There was a motion to adjourn by Chair, Dan Kumlander, seconded by Vice Chair, Jeff Pompa. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm. Trish Dugan led the closing prayer.