

**Archbishop Bergan Catholic School  
Board of Education Meeting  
Meeting Minutes  
September 21, 2022**

**Opening**

The regular meeting of the Archbishop Bergan Catholic School Board of Education Meeting was called to order at 6:37 PM on September 21, 2022 in the Bergan Elementary Library by Elizabeth Borisow.

**Present**

Ryan Bojanski, Todd Thomason, Isaac Morrissey, Susie McWhirter, Elizabeth Borisow, Melissa Hapke, Chad Kruse, Amanda Barron, Mandy Ostdiek, Isaac Morrissey, Kurtis Slater

Also, in attendance, Dan Koenig, Fr. Cremers, Nichole Owsley, Addie Gilfry, Brett Meyer

Not present: Tad Dinkins

**Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

**Guests**

- Addie Gilfry is a senior at Bergan. She was asked to relay her experiences as a student at Bergan.
- Brett Meyer is the new Learning Enhancement Interventionist at Bergan. He was asked to discuss his new roll here.

**Reports**

- Dan Koenig- Principal (Principals report on google docs)
  - This year's homecoming was a success. It was so nice to see so many kids attend and participate.
  - Bonnie Nebuda has accepted a position at the Archdiocese. We want to thank her for her 9 years of service. Bonnie will continue on as Chair of this year's Knight Event.
  - Parent/Teacher conferences were held September 14 at the middle school, High school, and at the elementary on the 15th.
  - Service day for grades 10-12 was held on Thursday September 12.
  - The Archdiocese will take a year to study the Gender Policy. They will implement a new policy for next year.
  - Governance of our school: The Archdiocese of Omaha has been working on a plan to group parishes together into families. You can learn more about this topic at <https://journeyoffaith.org/parish-process/families-of-parishes/> The school board will have policy making abilities instead of just being an advisory board.

- Fr. Cremers: Chris Stefanek, a Catholic speaker and author, will be at St. Patrick's church on Wednesday November 30 @ 6:30 PM.
  - The director of operations position is open. The Director of Parish Operations serves as a member of the Parish Leadership Team and coordinates the work of creating the business, administrative and organizational structures that help our parish attain our mission. In this critical role, the Director initiates and maintains relationships among our parish and school staff members, volunteers, parishioners and members of the local community. The Director works to support the pastor by supervising and managing facilities and grounds, human resources, parish development, fund-raising activities and initiatives, parish and school enrollment, and parish information technology. The Director is responsible for the leadership of the operations staff.
- Financials: Tad Dinkins was not present; however, a report is in google docs.
- Booster Club: We saw record breaking numbers this year at the annual golf tournament.
- Board President, Elizabeth Borisow: Board members have been assigned to a teacher development team. Board members will be meeting with their prospective teams on Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Advancement: Nichole Owsley presented information on the Admissions and Advancement Committees.
  - Advancement Committee: this committee will focus on fundraising and the Bergan Fund. Also, search out donors who have the capacity to donate.
  - Admissions Committee is working on a referral program where the referring family would receive a \$1000 towards tuition as well as the new family receiving \$1000 towards tuition. In addition, they are wanting to distribute a Parish family survey targeting families with students who do not attend Bergan

### **Action Items**

- Sycamore family directory guidelines: a parent is asking if the directory could be used to contact families about business services.
  - Fr. Nolte would prefer the directory not be used for financial gain
  - The Board votes not to allow individuals to access the Sycamore directory for business or personal gain.
  - The school administration will add a banner to Sycamore to relay this to parents.
  - Motion to approve: all in favor, none opposed
- The board will discuss Donor thank you notes at the next meeting.

### **Closing Prayer and Adjourn**

- Meeting was adjourned at 8:36 PM by Dan Koenig. The next general meeting will be at 6:30 PM on November 16, 2022 in the high school library.

Minutes submitted by:

Wendy Kerkaert