

Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

August 9, 2023

Members present: Father Alex, Mrs. Hooley,, Stevie Lee,, Marty Gonzalez, Kara Viorel, Jennifer Power, and Collin Anderson

Absent members: Tim Maguire and Jordan McAdams

The meeting was called to order by President Kara Viorel

Motion to approve minutes made by Kara seconded by Sara, Father approved.

Opening Prayer led by Sara Hooley

Agenda Items:

Principal Report: Mrs. Hooley

- I. Mission statement shared.

- II. Spiritual growth focuses for this school year will be on church, services, and sacramental prep. Emotional growth areas through anxiety coping with the Frenzy program being learned and implemented. 5th-8th grade will learn signs and communication about feelings of suicide from a resource through CHADS coalition for Mental Health. The Child Center will teach age appropriate body safety. New plans from the Hannibal Police department to begin a program called START in 6th grade (substance, tobacco, alcohol resistance training) will take the place of DARE in 5th grade. Intelligence growth will be in the form of fine arts and technology to name a few.

- III. New cameras and updated networking equipment are installed. A new barrier and gate on the small playground are in place. This takes care of one of the action items from the self study report.

- IV. Enrollment was at 134 at time of meeting with openings available in all grade levels. First day of school is August 22, 2023 with an early dismissal. The first week will have 2 Mass opportunities with special blessings for students, teachers, families, even backpacks.

Pastor's Report: Father Alex

- I. Totus tuus was a success with college students working with 16-19 students each day on fundamental Catholic based values.

- II. Went over the 3 part commitment of an active parishioner sending our students to a Catholic School. These include Prayer, Liturgical participation in Mass, and sacrificial giving through tithing contribution. We will focus on truly moving into the Stewardship model.

- III. The Parish Picnic will be held on September 9th starting with Mass at the grounds.

Old Business: By law needs to be finalized and may have short separate meetings just to focus on getting this going.

New Business: Family engagement opportunities-

- Golf tournament will be held Saturday August 26th at Norwoods.
- This year parents will help to coordinate events for school parties.
- Will need a library coordinator.

Upcoming action item:

- All Council Meeting August 17th at 6pm.

Next Meeting November 8th

Closing Prayer by Marty Gonzalez

Minutes respectfully submitted by council secretary Stevie Lee