

**Grand Island Central Catholic Middle and High School Board of Education**

**November 16, 2023**

**GICC Library 6:00 pm**

**Call to Order and Opening Prayer:**

Jeanne Mueller Fossberg called meeting to order. Fr. Don Buhrman led opening prayer.

**Attendance:**

Board members present: Jeanne Mueller Fossberg, Jim Rein, Matt Serbousek, Dustin Suminski, Kay Niebuhr, Rob Czaplewski, Jackie Gellatly, Fr. Thomas Vijumon, Fr. Don Buhrman also present: Jordan Engle, Phou Manivong, Dr. Julie Henke

Absent: Fr. Marty Egging, Fr. Jorge Canela, Bill Gavers, Jolene Wojcik, Jeff Palik

**Approval of Agenda:**

Fr. Don Buhrman moved to approve the agenda; second by Jim Rein, agenda approved.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Fr. Don Buhrman moved to approve the minutes; second by Jim Rein, minutes approved.

**Audience Communication:** None

**Old Business:** None

**Reports:**

**Budget:** No Report

**Curriculum:** No Report

**Building Committee:** No Report

**Marketing:**

- Planning for Explore GICC Night, sending out invitations

**Policy:**

- May need to review by-laws with adding elementary school

**Fine Arts:**

- Student survey complete – wanting end of year banquet
- Band concert Dec. 10
- Soup supper Jan. 20

**Booster Club:** No Report

**Administrators Reports:**

**Vice Principal Report:**

- Trip with Juniors to St. Gregory (boys) and Via Maria (girls)
- Working concession stand during winter sports with Booster Club
- Substitute teachers – fewer absent days to fill so far this fall semester

- Year Two of accreditation improvement cycle
- Improving lunch program – more options (fruit, portions, salad bar), keeping track of purchases (meals, snacks, drinks) going well
- Tardiness issues – committee created new rules for violations

#### **Counselor Report:**

- HOBY applications from 10th graders will be accepted until November 29th for consideration for selection for the HOBY leadership summer program, May 31-June 02, 2024
- 10-12th students registered for Spring 2024 CCC courses on November 7, 2023.
- Offering ACT test here on Tuesday, March 26th, to Juniors who select to take the Spring ACT test here at GICC. Information about sign-up and cost will be sent out to parents and students early 2nd semester.
- Working on getting 2nd semester schedules finalized and ready to go..
- Date has been set for the GICC Career Fair--Will be Wednesday, January 17, 2024, 9:30 -11:30 am-- invites and information for businesses, and other career, vocational areas.

**Activity Report:** No Report

**Elementary School Construction Committee:** No Report

#### **Financial:**

- Revenue: tuition coming in as expected, online payments going well (helps simplify bookkeeping), no final net profit number yet from Husker Harvest Days (estimating around \$20,000)
- Expenses: nothing unexpected, utilities and water bills under expected amounts

#### **Principal Report:**

- 301 (even)
- Elementary Waitlist: 336 (including preschool - 90)
- Enrollment for elementary to begin in the coming week or so (budget committee will meet to finalize tuition)
- Curriculum will be finalized Sunday (hopefully)
- First semester formal evaluations complete
- Jeremy Ekeler from the Catholic Conference has taken a new job as an Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO)
- Contract update for principal/superintendent
- Elementary school construction still ahead of schedule
- Cafeteria floor – manufacturer will accept the unused material from the elementary school project, warranty issues for current cafeteria floor still under review for replacement
- Elementary school fundraising is progressing well
- New rates for health insurance – lowest premium increase in years

#### **Foundation Report:**

- No meeting in November

#### **New Business:**

- Approval of bid for update to athletics record signs - \$3,685
  - Motion by Fr. Don Buhrman, second by Rob Czaplewski. Motion carried.

#### **Future Meeting:**

- Budget

**Next Board Meeting:** January 18, 2024

**Executive Session:** None

**Closing Prayer and Adjournment:** Closing prayer by Rev. Vijumon. Motion by Fr. Don Buhrman, second by Jim Rein to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

**Respectfully submitted,** (official minutes)

Submitted by Rob Czaplewski, secretary

### **Board of Education**

Jeanne Mueller-Fossberg, President (St. Mary's Representative - term ending June 2024)

Jim Rein, Vice President (At Large Representative - term ending June 2024)

Rob Czaplewski, Secretary (Blessed Sacrament Representative - term ending June 2024)

Kay Niebuhr (At-Large Representative - term ending June 2026)

Matt Serbousek (Resurrection Representative – term ending June 2026)

Dustin Suminski (At Large Representative - term ending June 2025)

Jaqueline Gellatly (St. Leo's Representative – term ending June 2025, ABC Rep.)

Rev. Donald Buhrman, Pastor St. Leo Church

Rev. Martin Egging, Pastor Blessed Sacrament Church

Rev. Jorge Canela, Pastor Cathedral of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rev. Vijumon Thomas Choorackal, Pastor Church of the Resurrection

Jeff Palik – Foundation representative (president)

### **Administration**

Jordan Engle, Principal

Phou Manivong, Vice Principal

Mike Rohweder, Business Manager

Bill Gavers, Activities Director

Dr. Julie Henke, Guidance Counselor

### **Facilities Committee**

Mike Rohweder

Ron Golka

Jim Rein

Rob Czaplewski

Dustin Suminski

### **Standing Committees**

#### **Budget and Finance Committee**

Mike Rohweder

Fr. Don Buhrman

Ron Golka

Jordan Engle

Jackie Gellatly

Jim Rein

Matt Serbousek

#### **Marketing Public Relations and Recruitment Committee**

Fr. Jorge Canela

Janelle Armstrong

Jordan Engle

#### **Policy Review Committee**

Phou Manivong

Ron Golka

Jeanne Mueller-Fossberg

Kay Niebuhr

Rina Huntwork

#### **Curriculum and Academics Committee**

Jordan Engle

Dr. Julie Hehnke

Fr. Marty Egging

Jeanne Mueller-Fossberg

Jackie Gellatly

Fr. Thomas Vijumon

Matt Serbousek

Kay Niebuhr

**Fine Arts Rep.:** Dustin Suminski

**ABC Club Rep.:** Jackie Gellatly

**Foundation Rep.:** Father Don Buhrman