



Advisory Board 10-17-24

Minutes

Present: Father Bo Beaty, Kelly Mechelke, Hiram Morales, Bailey Broussard, Andrea Gentile, Jennifer Hay, Alex LaFasto, Jessica Louthan, Will Silverberg, Patrick Wade, Mary Marlowe, Cody Neihart

Guest Speakers Sarah Toliver, Alex Cain

Called to Order at 4:01 p.m.

Prayer by Father Bo Beaty

- September meeting minutes were approved
- Sarah Toliver shared about her position on the Education Relations Committee for the Town of Farragut. Her presentation is included here.
[ToliverSJNCSPABPresentationForm1024.pdf](#)
- Alex Cain, Alderman Ward 1 spoke about how difficult it will be to get a solution for the traffic situation on Gribbsby Chapel.
- SJNCS Advisory Board By-Law updates were approved
- Cody Neihart introduced himself. He spoke about the electronic consent form that parents sign and that he made some edits as well as made the form electronic. He also spoke about GoGuardian and how it is used to monitor at school, but does not monitor at home since our devices do not go home. We encourage parents to monitor closely at home.
- Mission and Catholic Identity
 - All School Rosary was Tuesday, October 15
 - Bishop Beckman visit Friday, October 18
 - New Catholic art purchased and hung in the hallways toward the elementary wing and toward the middle school wing; Saint Matthew, Mark, Luke, & John, The mysteries of the Rosary, The Corporal and Spiritual works of mercy, Among other faith based pictures
- Governance and Leadership
 - Getting ready for Accreditation visit in Dec. as reported last month
 - Mallory just went to TN Association for School Librarian conference. Rebecca Baker is going to a literacy conference.
- Academic Excellence
 - Middle school is starting academic junior high decathlon. Amori-English, Nygard-SS, McInturff-Math, Cotton-Science

- Circle of Grace is a distinctly Christian approach to teaching children and youth about body and heart safety and respectful relationships. Rooted in the conviction that every human being is sacred and that God's love and presence is with us, helping us to navigate confusing and difficult situations, the curriculum teaches children and youth to: identify and maintain appropriate physical, emotional, spiritual boundaries; recognize when boundary violations are about to occur; and demonstrate how to take action when boundaries are threatened or violated. Created by the Diocese of Omaha is mandated by our Diocese.
- Operational Vitality
 - Harvest for Him is Oct, 26 & 27

Other:

- Discussion ensued about families hearing from Dr. Mechelke like the above conversation that she shares each month with the Advisory Board about our Mission and Catholic Identity, Governance and Leadership, Academic Excellence, and Operational Vitality. What is shared is posted on our Website. However, that is over a month later because of needing approval at the following month's meeting for the minutes. Other school principals have a letter monthly/weekly to families. Our newsletter used to come from Mr. Derbyshire. Could the newsletter come from Dr. Mechelke and she add a letter/memo there?
- Meetings are scheduled for 2024-2025
 - Nov. 21, Dec. 19, Jan. 16, Feb. 20, Mar. 27, Apr. 17, May 15, June 19 (4:00-5:30.p.m.)
- Father Bo lead ending prayer
- Meeting adjourned 5:04 pm