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OLL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: OCTOBER 13, 2022

MEMBERS

Kelly Geadelmann (chair)	P	Rachel Iverson (marketing)	P	Fr. Peter Richards (pastor)	P
Katy Miller (Finance)	A	Beth Freye (fundraising)	P	Becky Kennedy (principal)	P
Gretchen Chilson (education)	A	Steve Boatright (parish council rep)	P	Rhonda Eurich (church admin)	P
Connor Sir (Finance)	P	Nancy Erdmann (faculty rep)	P	Amanda Moodie (advancement dir)	P
Jennifer Simmonds (at large)	A	Meaghan Rasset (faculty rep)	P	Amanda Young (fundraising dir)	A
Ginger Skaja (education)	A				
Melissa Young (technology)	P	A=Absent, P=Present			

Opening Prayer

Approve Sept minutes – Melinda motion, Connor second. Passed.

School Update

MNSAA

The staff is still reviewing the vision for OLL, but love and agree that Praise God, Work Hard, Love One Another should be our mission. I will return in November with a proposed vision.

Virtues In Practice(VIP)

October students are focusing on Self-Discipline

Service Project - Rake A Thon

We have collected Roughly \$24,000 for the Rake a Thon so far. The goal is \$45,000. We have two weeks to collect. We currently have 18 yards to rake for Oct. 28 and looking for one or two more.

NWEA Testing- Discussed overall happy with the results, Becky is working on a deeper dive to communicate the results overall for parents and board. Westonka and other public schools in the area no longer use NWEA and therefore it is difficult to compare against the public schools. Beck and Amanda will review other ways to compare and work on highlighting our academic data for parents and future enrollment efforts.

22-23 school year %	Fall %	From last spring
Reading	55.31	+3
LA Usage(2-8)	62.81	+13
Math	60.51	+16
Science (5-8)	64.55	+10 Different test



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All of our classes improved their RIT((Rasch Unit) scale) score average from last spring to this fall. This is looking at class-by-class RIT averages from last year to this year. This is exciting. I'm not sure I have ever been able to say our RIT score average for every class has improved, especially from fall to spring. Things are sticking! This data does not include current kinders since they do not have spring data from last year

Fall 2022									
Reading	k	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
OLL	145.2	162.9	177.6	190.4	200.3	201.9	220.7	215.3	227.3
Nation	136.6 5	155.9 3	172.3 5	186.6 2	196.6 7	204.4 8	210.1 7	214.2	218.0 1
Math	k	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
OLL	149	169	181.1	194.6	204.8	208	220.5	216.9	234.7
Nation	139.5 6	160.0 5	175.0 4	188.4 8	199.5 5	209.1 3	214.7 5	220.2 1	224.9 2
Language Usage	k	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
OLL			182.9	191.7	198.3	201.5	220.4	215	224.7
Nation			173.9 8	187.7 1	197.3 3	204.1 7	209.4 3	212.6 5	215.5 4
Science	k	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
OLL						202.5	212.3	209.7	218
Nation						200.2 3	203.8 6	206.5 6	209.6 4

Looking at school average scores, there is an increase
Students start NWEA Growth assessment on September 26. Teachers use this data to help guide teachers with the instruction needed for each student.

Bathroom Upgrades(capital campaign)

The staff bathroom is waiting on a new sink - happening over MEA



Advancement Update – Enrollment:

Enrollment numbers no changes since last month

total	178
PreK	57
k-8	121
k-4	83
5-8	38

CSCO marketing funds have reduced this year since CSCO is serving the entire state not just metro areas. \$3900 vs. \$7000.

Discussion was teed up for next month as we move into key enrollment periods.

- Do we want to consider lowering the discount for kindergarten. Currently we have a 50% discount for Kindergarten, which is removed as they move into 1st grade. This decision has been reviewed for the past few years, and we should consider this again as our KG numbers have been strong. There are pros and cons to this, so we will review and present our thoughts for next board meeting. Amanda and Becky will review past data to come up with a point of view on the impact to the numbers.
- Amanda recommended considering a 5th grade discount to help reduce fall out we get going from 4th to 5th grade. Once in Middle School parents are very happy with the academic rigor, so it will help grow our Middle school numbers. We should review the 4-5th grade data over the past few years to understand the turn we experience today, and what impact a discount could make on the future turnover.
- Finally, should we approach enrollment as a drive for as many students as possible, or should we have a plan to cap classrooms at a certain number, or commit to a teacher/student ratio. Becky and Amanda will come back with a proposal / discussion for next board meeting.

Finance -

Connor reviewed our Year To Date revenue and expenses, and we are currently exceeding our revenue due to OLL+ and higher fundraising in September than budgeted. We believe these increases are shifts from future months and will follow up in November with our thoughts here. Expenses are below budget as well, showing a net profit of \$57,577.

Fundraising

Getting ready for Rake a Thon, Spaghetti Dinner, Tonight a Mom's night out and fundraiser was held at Evereve.

Jennifer Simmonds is in the process of reviewing a new book company that will represent the overall needs of the students and align better with our values. She will present this ideas next week.

Father Peter Parish Update

Father Peter shared he has a Cohesive leadership team for the Parish and Church, which includes Becky, Kassie Ricke and Terry Burns. They are working on building a strong, healthy organization, creating clear



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communication to staff and other large groups within the parish. Overall goal of the organization is to draw people to spread God's love.

Closing prayer