



**OLL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 17, 2022**

**MEMBERS**

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

- **Opening Prayer**

- **Approval of October Minutes**

*Katy motion. Melinda Second. Passed.*

- **School Update**

**MNSAA:** Final Mission and Philosophy Proposals – Kelly motion. Katy second. Passed.

**Mission**

Praise God, Work Hard, Love One Another

**Philosophy**

*Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School, together with school families and the parish community, seeks to nourish the whole child through a Catholic education that provides academic excellence while following Christ’s example of love and service.*

Next step: creating a parent survey to send out in February for feedback and help plan our next strategic plan. I am looking for someone to create the survey in Google Docs. I have a sample to follow.

**Aim Higher Scholarships**

Dollars for Aim Higher scholarships will be coming in the next two weeks. We have 16 students who receive scholarships from AIM Higher. Each student receives a \$1000 need-based Scholarship. This is all done through TADS.

**School Fee for 2023-2024 Proposals**

K-8 Tuition Dollar Amount: \$5600 (~5% increase) *Motion Gretchen. Beth second. Passed.*

Family Max - \$13,999. *Motion Gretchen. Katy second. Passed.*

Minimum - \$600/ student *Motion Beth. Gretchen second. Passed.*

Owe 100% tuition after August 1 if unenroll. Add language that says families will owe 50% tuition if they unenroll July 1 or later.” *Motion Katy. Kelly second. Passed.*

(Discounts cannot be combined)

A \$2,000 “Welcome to Kindergarten” grant will be offered (by application) to prospective kindergarten students who are enrolling into OLL Kindergarten for the following year. The grant is applied to their overall tuition in Kindergarten. An email will be sent Kindergarten families that qualify inviting them to fill out a short google form. *Motion Fr. Peter. Beth second. Passed.*

**Preschool (10% increase - closer to Westonka)**

Class	22/23	proposed cost per month(9 months)
T/Th AM	\$2,457.00	\$273.00
T/TH All Day	\$3,609.00	\$401.00
M/W/F AM	\$3,222.00	\$358.00
M/W/F all day	\$4,716.00	\$524.00
M-F am	\$3,960.00	\$440.00
M-F All Day	\$6,930.00	\$770.00

*Preschool : Melinda motion. Fr. Peter second. Passed.*

**OLL+ (5%)**

Prek Costs	K-4 costs
\$3045	\$2730

*OLL+ : Katie motion. Beth second. Passed.*

**OLL+ Summer Program(10% increase)**

Program Details:

10 weeks: June 12th through August 18th (No camp on July 3rd- 5th)

Days: Monday through Friday, 7:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Cost:

Full time - 5 Day Program: \$2,530

Part time - 3 Day Program: \$1,665

Part time - 2 Day Program: \$1,210

Drop-ins welcome with advanced notice, \$50/ day

*OLL+ Summer: At LEAST a 10% increase. Kelly motion. Beth second. Passed.*

*(table the rest of this discussion for next month. We'll find out more about Westonka's offerings and cost)*

**Virtues In Practice (VIP)**

November students are focusing on Patience

**Service Project - Rake A Thon**

Net - \$51,000 so far with \$3,800 in outstanding Fundraising Fee's to collect.

**Bathroom Upgrades(capital campaign)**

Finishing touches on tile

**Enrollment Update**

- o **Middle school information session** was successful. Of the 16 families, 4 families attend and 3 requested the recorded meeting. 4 families already have older sibling in OLL middle school. The remaining 5 families did not respond. Voicemails were left for those parents. I feel confident that 10 will 100% remain OLL. Of the remaining 6, possibly 5?

- **Kindergarten information night:** Historically not a huge attendance. 11 had RSVP'd. 8 families attended. 1st snow fall and icy roads were likely a factor.
- Our current preschool model does not support a push for two **K classes** in the 2023-2024 school year. We currently have 29 students who are K eligible based on birthdates; with 7 summer birthdays. This means that 21 are true K for next year. Per November conferences; 3 indicated that they were going to remain in Preschool and 2 indicated that they were unsure if they would remain in OLL Preschool or enroll in OLL Kindergarten next year. 14 indicated that they were interested in OLL Kindergarten and 5 indicated that they were considering OLL vs Public School. Only 4 K eligible students plan to attend public school. This means our realistic potential from current interest in preschool around 19.
- **Kinder Eligible Info base on 11/7 conferences**
  - 14 OLL
  - 5 Maybe OLL- 3 of which attended the K Info Night
  - 2 OLL K vs OLL Pre K
  - 3 PreK OLL
  - 4 Public K
  - 2 outside of OLL that have toured and 1 attended K Info
- **Rough Estimate on next year's enrollment:** 55 preschool, 84 elementary, 44 Middle school; 183 total enrollment.
- Based on district statistics released in the Westonka Borg Report, **our area is not seeing growth**, there is not an upward trend in enrollment and numbers seem to have slowed down if not altogether decreased. As the enrollment season approaches and tours increase, we will re-evaluate. The attached prediction is a very rough prediction.
- **Community Building:**
  - West Metro Catholic Middle Schools 'Lets Glow' Fall Social is tomorrow. 130 students from OLL and 4 other are schools are participating.
  - November Family Fun Night: Night of Lights, Sovereign Winery 11/29
  - School/Parish Christmas Caroling: December 4th
  - All School Service Night: Feed My Starving Children December 9<sup>th</sup>
- **Finance Update**
  - Projecting to end with \$45,000 surplus at the end of the year.
- **Fundraising Update**
  - Changing the name of the Ambassador Fund to Annual Fund
  - I had to make an executive decision on the tree lot today to CANCEL. The tree farm was unable to fulfill our order due to the drought and staff shortages. Alternative plan: Raffle through Catholic United (each household sells 10 tickets, we would recoup \$6000, which was the tree lot fundraising goal)
- **Open Discussion**