

WAUKESHA CATHOLIC **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Remote Meeting

July 16, 2020

Remote Attendance: Brian Brejcha, Meghan Gorzalski, Lisa Kovaleski, Mary Kuemmel, Jordan Last, Nancy Nadolny, Mark Panlener, Roberta Schneider, Ken Walter

Minutes: Sherry Marino

Absent Excused: Rachel Dobrauc, Joe Heinecke, Fr. Chuck Wrobel

- A. Mark Panlener called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Lisa Kovaleski led the board in prayer.

- B. **New Business – Lisa**
 1. Lisa wants parents to be informed of talks and information to finalize plan. Lisa spoke with Health Supervisor.
 2. Plan Options:
 - a. There is a PowerPoint that will be shared with the School Board Committee. In the PowerPoint it shows, of Parents/families that responded:
 1. 67.1% are comfortable or extremely comfortable coming back to school.
 2. 17.2% are concerned or neutral.
 - b. Staff response:
 1. 37.7% of staff are very comfortable/comfortable
 2. 49.9% are concerned/very concerned
 3. Returning in the fall –
 - a. Family responses – 255 respondents
 1. 77.3% in favor of attending school daily.
 2. 16.5% in favor of a hybrid model.
 3. 6.3% would stay at home for virtual learning.
 4. Having conversations about having K3-K5 wearing masks. Is this age appropriate?
 - b. Teacher responses-
 1. 85% (42) said yes, would come back and teach in person;
 2. 14% (7) said they were undecided.
 4. Virtual learning – Teachers that plan to return to work
 - i. 89.8% (44) said yes they would return to work
 - ii. 6.1% (3) are undecided
 - iii. 4.1% (2) said no they would not return to work
 5. For the hybrid model, the percentages were pretty much the same.
 6. The COVID Committee is recommending that we figure out logistics, i.e., bathroom breaks, recess, gym, and lunch.
 - a. The School Board Committee was unanimous and agreed.
 - b. Lisa looking at the health and safety of staff and students and enrollment. Safety is more important.
 7. Waukesha County public schools are doing the cohorting model. They are not consistent on mask policy.

- a. Emails from parents are mostly questions about students. We also have to think about staff health and concerns. Keep in mind some Students and staff have health issues we do not even know about. We are discussing symptom checks – temperature checks.
- b. Health room isolation room for students to remain in until a parent picks them up. Protocols for temperatures is 100.4.
8. Cohort:
 - a. Moving the teachers, not the students.
 - b. 6 feet – 15 minute rule. Contact tracing and quarantine begins after 15 minutes with someone positive, but will depend on guidance from County Health Department as to protocol if a positive test.
 - c. Conversation still ongoing about specials – maybe outside while the weather holds.
9. Virtual option for testing positive or not coming back
 - a. We are trying to create a virtual plan, possibly livestreaming classes. We are looking into issues/concerns, including privacy rights, of this.
 - b. Hope is to have more real time instruction.
 - c. Families who do not want to come back in person, plan is to offer virtual.
 - d. Plan is to open in person with cohorts and have criteria setup. There will have to be protocol when teachers or students get sick or exhibit symptoms. County health department will guide us on criteria and protocol.
10. Lisa asking School Board for action-authorizing correspondence be sent out advising that we are planning to come back to school in-person 5 days per week, cohort model, and that option for virtual is there.
11. Suggestion made that families be asked to send any comments/concerns to School Board email. Many School Board members were receptive to this idea.
12. Budget –
 - a. There are expenses we did not plan for,
 - b. Federal funds coming to us. Not exactly sure when we will get the money.
13. Lisa would like to put out a bulletin from the COVID Committee and School Board regarding the direction we are going. Details need to be finalized and this could change. This can be sent out early next week. Waiting on some information from the county and the toolkit. We will put out a more detailed bulletin about cohorts, masks, and other details regarding the school year.
14. Brian made the motion to send a letter to parents about the direction we are planning to start the school year to parents, families, and teachers. Jordan seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carries.
15. We are getting to the point of pulling money out of the investment account. 250K out at the end of July 250K out at the end of August. This needs School Board approval. Lisa would like an email approval when all School Board members can vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.