

Board of Education
August 15, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.
Wahlert Library Conference Room

Board Members Present: Todd Link, Sharon Wulfekuhle-Hefel, Brian Sullivan, Fr. Hauer, Kelley Schiesl, Brian Kane, Cheryl Syke and Jan Sigwarth

Board Members Absent: Fr. Rosonke and Kevin Mullen

Staff Members Present: Kathy Abba, Todd Wessels, Carol Trug, Phil Bormann and Ron Meyers

Brian Sullivan called the meeting to order at 5:28 p.m. The meeting began with prayer.

Board Introductions

All board members and staff introduced themselves. The board welcomed new members Sharon Wulfekuhle-Hefel, Kelley Schiesl and Brian Kane.

Approval of Minutes

- **Todd Link moved to approve the June 20, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. Cheryl Syke seconded. The motion carried.**

Consent Agenda Items

Committee minutes and reports from system administrators were included in the packet for review.

Brian Kane requested an update on the issue of neighbors encroaching on Holy Family property as mentioned in the Finance committee minutes. The issue is currently being reviewed and will come to conclusion at the next Finance meeting. Mrs. Abba will provide an update in September.

EDGE Program Presentation

Mazzuchelli principal, Phil Bormann, and Wahlert principal, Ron Meyers, presented information on the EDGE program, which will run as a pilot for 25 sixth graders this year.

EDGE (Engage, Discern, Grow and Excel) is a result of a partnership with Summit Learning and utilizes an online learning management platform, which supports a personalized, project-based model of engaging students, encouraging collaboration and creativity, and promoting authentic work and meaningful student assessments. The platform helps students set and track goals and learn content at their own pace with the help of one-on-one mentoring through weekly meetings. The program will be introduced at the ninth grade level during the 2018-19 school year.

Holy Family is one of two Catholic schools nationwide and the first school in Iowa to partner with Summit Learning.

Chief Administrator Report

A total of 1,654 students have pre-registered for the 2017-18 school year, which is 33 students short of the 1,687 budget target. There are several families who attended last year who have yet to pre-register. Mrs. Trueg is confident that projection will be close for high school, over for elementary and a few students short for middle school.

Update on Wahlert Renovation

Mrs. Abba gave an update on the Wahlert renovation, which is close to being complete. Cleanup has begun in preparation for the first day of school and floors have been waxed. The cafeteria is finished and will host a contractor's lunch to make sure everything is in working order before school starts. Seventh and eighth grade students from Mazzuchelli will eat lunch in the Wahlert cafeteria this year.

Elementary Long-range Planning

A timeline for the elementary long-range planning was included in the packet for review and approval. Board members offered feedback on the timeline itself. Brian Kane suggested scheduling another work session with key stakeholders, committee members and board members this fall. The board agreed the presented timeline will serve as framework and may change. Mrs. Trueg, Executive Committee members and Platform for Excellence leaders will meet with the Archdiocese to discuss elementary planning on August 16.

- **Brian Kane moved to approve the elementary long-range planning timeline as presented with the understanding that it may be modified. Fr. Hauer seconded. The motion carried.**

Verify email votes for teacher contracts

- **Fr. Hauer moved to verify the email votes for teacher contracts. Kelley Schiesl seconded. The motion carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 19, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.