

Bishop Neumann School Advisory Board
Minutes
January 9th 2023
Time: 5:45 – 6:45

Members:

Luke and Alice Benes	Valparaiso
Vacant	Davey
Jordon Kavan	Prague and Plasi
Stephanie Quinn	Colon and Cedar Bluffs
Steven Sladky	Wahoo
Jennifer Whitney	Mead
Jim Woita	Weston Touhy

Call Meeting to Order: Tammy Sassaman, Board President called the meeting to order

Present: Board Members: Jordon Kavan, Jim Woita, Stephanie Quinn, Luke Meis, and Jennifer Whitney
Staff: John Kreikemeier and Father Jirovsky

Absent: Board Members: Steve Sladky, Alice Benes

Jennifer Whitney and Father Jirovsky had to leave the meeting after first 20 minutes to attend another meeting.

Meeting Minutes: Meeting Minutes form November 9th 2022 were approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Board Members—called last meeting’s discussion on the number of members on this board. All were in consensus of having 2 students on the board and 2 representatives from Wahoo. Quinn brought up that usually the priests in the various churches ask specific people to be on this board, but she added that was 10 years ago. Agreed to have a Nomination/Application form for interested board members to complete. Kavan and Quinn shared they are ready to be off the board—each have served for several years. Meis shared he would nominate Trent Moudry, who is on Campus Ministry and Student Council as another student representative.

Sassaman shared with Board a couple willing to represent Davey.

2. Start of 2023 school year—Kreikemeier shared he communicated with superintendent of parents’ concerns of an August 9th start date in 2023 as being too early. Has not heard any details back yet at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Student Update—Meis shared how school began a Community System in which he is the captain. Meis explained there are 4 communities with 65 students in each and each group is named after a saint. The goal is to model after their saints. Purpose of this Community System is to mimic home room for students to get to know each other at all levels of junior high and high school. Promoting good interaction among student and to grow in their faith; leadership driven as well. Has received good feedback. Kreikemeier and Jirovsky gave history of how houses were developed at BN.

Sassaman updated Meis about last meeting board deciding to have homecoming on a Saturday. Board wanted student input about when to have the coronation—at football game on Friday night or Saturday at dance, Meis shared he will talk to the juniors about it.

- 2) Roles and Eligibility—discussed and clarified in the Bishop Neumann School Advisory Board Procedures.
- 3) Review of the Procedures and Practices—went through paragraph by paragraph and board members gave input when necessary
- 4) Tasks of Board—discussed and clarified in the Bishop Neumann School Advisory Board Procedures

Adjourn: **Next meeting date/time: Tuesday, April 4th, 2023 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.**