



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

AGENDA: August 19, 2025

Meeting Starts- 6:32pm

Opening Prayer

Present-Principal Thompson- Betty (Parish Liaison)- Beth- Yung- Andy- Kevin- Pat- Erica- Angela- Meredith- Fr. Steven

Introduction (Andy)

- Approval of June Meeting Minutes
 - *Notes-Minutes will be sent out after meeting.*
 - *Motion to approve. By Phil & Beth*

Principal Report (Ms. Thompson)

- Enrollment Dashboard
 - *Notes- current at 286...budget number is 290.*
 - *2 tours today & one Preschool application submitted this week.*
 - *1 new 8th graded added.*
 - *Increase in enrollment is a priority.*
 - *Concern over withdrawal number*
 - *Population shifts, commute concerns.*
 - *Discussion on Texas Program for Education Savings Accounts*
 - *Discussion on programming (Info sessions) for SJCC parishioners (priority group). Add OMPH (parish across the street)*
 - *BL having Info session on 9/11 (Thurs)*
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- Accreditation Update
 - *Notes- kickoff meet & greet on 9/28.*
 - *Visit form Accreditation chair, superintendent,*
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- Auction Update
 - *Notes- Meghan Holmgren will chair it.*
 - *Theme will center on charity (SVDP- KOC- etc.)*
- **MISC**
 - *Lots of positive feedback from Meet the Teacher nights.*
 - *Front of School- 4 phases*
 - *Phase 1 Landscaping & trimming of trees*
 - *Greenery being added.*
 - *Bollards painting (maybe later on)*
 - *Sidewalk being laid in place of older magnolia trees.*



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- 2 phase NTGD
 - River Rock bed & Sidewalk that runs North/South from Church
 - Lighting could also be included in phase 2.
 - Drainage & irrigation also being looked at in Phase 2
- Phase 3 & 4 still being developed.
- Future thought is to extend sidewalk all around school.

Pastor Report (Fr. Stephen)

- Church has hired an asst facilities manager Don Nguyen (Parishioner)
- Looking forward to new director of Faith formation- Simon Powell- starting in Sep
- Also, a new asst youth minister starting in Sep- Maria yellanos.
- New Venture (diocesan wide) community of disciples initiative- providing opportunities for those with disabilities focus on integration into the Church- EG monthly sensory friendly mass.
 - St Elizabeth room (brides room) at SJCC for assistance w/ over stimulation (low lighting, minimal sound, etc.)
 - Also looking into ways for youth accommodation, in faith formation and other learning opportunities.
 - SJCC will serve as a mentor parish for other parishes as a result of this initiative.

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Financial Report (Phil)

- Notes- Process of finalizing audit for the year that ended in June.
- Revenue was favorable to budget.
- Expenses were unfavorable to budget.
- Licensing and books funds were able to be covered by GAPS.
- Discussion on waiting until Sep. meeting for decision making RE endowment contributions/technology reserves.

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Subcommittee Updates

- Academics
 - Notes-
 - Recap on Uniforms
 - New reps Minimal issues. Quick responses and solutions
 - Overall quality responses from families on uniforms
 - 8th grade exit interviews
 - 7/32 parent responses
 - Notes given at meeting.



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- Overall happy w/ school
- High satisfaction with spirituality
- Happy with academic preparations
- Improvements
 - More dates being put out sooner (communication w/ teachers)
 - Sci and co-curricular were 3/5 call for more immersive activities.
 - Discussion on review of questioning in March/April for accuracy & consistency.
- New Idea
 - Miscommunication regarding supply packs- laptops- computers.
 - It could be an issue of families not attending picnic. IDÉA- Working in a one sheet for families w/ FAQs.
 - Discussion on tours
 - Focus on Belonging
- OPEN HOUSE
 - 2025-2026 Open House Dates
 - 10/9- 5pm
 - 10/10- 9:30am
 - 11/6- 5pm
 - 11/7- 9:30am
 - 12/11- 5pm
 - 12/12- 9:30am
 - 1/8- 5pm
 - 1/9- 9:30am
 - 2/19-5pm
 - 2/20- 9:30am
 - 3/12- 5pm
 - 3/13- 9:30
 - 4/9-5pm
 - 4/10-9:30am
 - 5/8- 9:30am
 - Volunteers sign up & parent feedback.
 - 50 people initially signed up.
 - Passing along safe environment training info
 - 6 volunteers already in action for teacher assistance
 - Assisting w/ Church projects also
 - Volunteers hours will be logged and recorded in FACTS.



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- Catholic Identify (Yung)
 - Notes- CGS prep is underway.
 - Family spotlight ongoing (3 families lined up)
 - Joint confirmation w/ Parish
 - New idea could be a fall movie viewing of the Carlos Acu-movie. (SMART family paying for pizza)
 - Maybe looking at Oct 12th
 - Push to have 1-2 events where kids can have joint events so all attendees or confirmed students can connect.
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- Community Vitality
 - Notes- Ministry conference debrief.
 - Mom's & Dad's Club update
 - Mocktail competition
 - Moms meet 1st Fridays.
 - Will meet with different orgs from the parish (Women's gild in Oct)
 - Fall Festival (oct 25th -26th)
 - NJHS runs the games & Religion class (Middle School) service hours.
 - Discussion on former activity (Used Book Sale)
 - Creating Photo Opps & pumpkin painting
 - Choir involvement.
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- Finance
 - N/A
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- Facilities
 - N/A
- **Around the Room**
 - Meredith gave more in-depth landscaping updates.
 - Betty explained the parish liaison program.
 - Discussion on involvement of school in "Texas Catholic"
 - Discussion on new lunch accommodation and quality of food

Closing Prayer

Meeting Ended- 8:10pm

Saint Joseph Prayer



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O dearest Saint Joseph,
I offer myself to you, that you may always be my father,
to protect and guide me.
Help me to love holiness and to remain pure in heart.
O Blessed Saint Joseph,
pray for me,
that I may enjoy the gift of a holy life.
Amen.