ST. EDWARD EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA
Tuesday, April 15, 2025
6:00 – 7:30 pm

St. Edward Catholic School exists to provide a comprehensive academic foundation that empowers children in their faith journey by teaching Catholic values while encouraging lifelong service.

I. Opening Prayer
II. Roll Call- Fr. Todd, Jaci, Nikki Traen, Rodney Guza, Teresa Myhre, Jenny Buysse, and Ann Longtin,
III. Acceptance of Agenda- Approved
IV. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting- Approved
V. Comments from Audience/Open Forum- None
VI. Review of Budget
    a. Governor's Proposed Budget- Email from Michelle at New Ulm Diocese- meeting on 4/14/25 at the Catholic Conference and it was reported that the cuts most likely won't happen this session, but it doesn't mean it wouldn't happen in the future sessions. Encouraged to keep reaching out to legislation. Coordinating a Rally at the capital on May 7, 2025.
        a. Rally at the Capitol, May 7, 2025- Would like to fill one Coach Bus with students, parents, and staffing along with other supporters from school/parish. Will put something in the parent letter to invite others to attend.
    b. Next Year – Tuition, Fundraising Goals- would like to increase fundraising to help meet budget needs.
        a. 1/3 of the budget come from tuition, 1/3 from fundraising and 1/3 from parish
        b. Tuition- will increase tuition by 3%. Preschool will be about $60/day.
VII. Unfinished Business
    A. School Bus- No updates
VIII. Reports
    A. Principal and Staff Report-Jaci
        a. Staffing- Advertising for open positions, no applicants at this time.
        Have new Librarian hired.
        b. Summer Care- Continue to have families registering. Still looking for a couple more individuals for staffing
        c. Survey 21 out of 33 families have responded.
            i. AR- Continue to discuss options for AR and reading comprehension.
    B. Religious Education and Adult Formation/RCIA-
        a. Early Childhood Family Life- Reached to Faith Okland but hasn't got back to Jaci.
        Training would be about 7 sessions long and can be done online.
        Would need a leader and 1-2 assistance for the program.
    C. PEACE Report- April 25 will be doing Prime Time reading event
    D. Scrip Report - Julie
    E. Marketing Report Committee -
        a. Enrollment Plan
            i. Kindergarten
            ii. Preschool
            iii. Summer Care
        b. Community Events
            i. Open Gym – Oct. 15 – April 26 from 9am-11am
            ii. State of the School – May 4 at 4 pm
            iii. FCCLA – Sponsoring Local Student- 2 children from St. Edward are going to Nationals. Have the individuals going to Nationals do a presentation at Spring Concert and then students can ask for donations as well.
        c. Round Table Discussion
            i. Meeting with local parishes
        d. Fundraising
            i. Calendar Fundraiser
            ii. Fish Fry- Served at least 450 people and 510lbs of fish
        e. Promotional Items
    F. Technology Report-

a. Websites that WOW Scavenger Hunt- No updates
b. Technology Lab- Looking for updated computers.
c. Smartboards- 1st and 2nd grade room quit working, Jaci is speaking with IT for replacements.

G. Wellness Committee
a. Meeting on April 11, working on wellness policy, discussed menus, adding proteins, and cost of food.

H. Grants
a. Missoula Children's Theatre – Next Catholic Schools Week they will be coming. Had to schedule them prior to the grant, will apply for the grant and if we don't get the grant we will cancel the Missoula Theatre.

I. Building Updates
a. Mini-Split
b. Gym- We have money left over from the bathroom projects and the left-over funds were supposed to go to the gym updates. Will potentially look for matching grants.
c. Ramp in honor of Brian and others- Jaci spoke to Troy from Bladholm and he will be getting Jaci a quote on the ramp.

IX. New Business

A. Butterfly Garden- Joe Bisler sent Jaci an email about doing a butterfly garden for his Scouts Program. Discussed having him present to the committee so committee members could ask questions about the project.

X. Prayer

Next Meeting – Tuesday, May 20, 2025