

**BISHOP RYAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL
MINUTES OF APRIL 27, 2017 REGULAR MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. in the Bishop Ryan Library.

I. Opening Prayer: Fr. Richter

II. Roll Call – Brenda Nush

Members Present: Kevin Bohl, Fr. Harvey, Kim Hrichena, Fr. Bruce Krebs, Fr. Doug Krebs, Dawn Palumbo, Kathy Wald, Fr. Richter, Fr. Waltz.

Members Absent: Bishop Kagan, Shane Zaback

Ex-Officio Members Present: Jaimie Brunner, Chase Lee, Fr. Nelson, Brenda Nush, Tanya Steckler, Steve Lipp,

Ex-Officio Absent: Dean Rubbelke

Guests:

III. Recommended Action

A. Motion to accept minutes of the March 2017 regular meeting by Kevin Bohl and second by Kathy Wald. Motion passes with all members voting yes.

B. Motion to accept the financial statements for March 2017 by Kevin Bohl, second by Fr. Bruce Krebs. Motion passes with all members voting yes.

C. Additions/Changes to the Agenda: Remove executive session.

IV. Old Business

A. 2nd Reading – Bylaws Changes: Motion to approve 2nd reading of Bylaws Changes with no changes from prior reading by Fr. Bruce Krebs, second by Kim Hrichena. Motion passes with all members voting yes, except Kevin Bohl, who voted no.

B. Handbook Addendums: Presented and discussed; motion to accept as presented by Fr. Waltz; second by Kim Hrichena. Motion passes, all members voting yes.

C. Valedictorian-Salutatorian: Fr. Nelson proposes moving forward that Valedictorian and Salutatorian are selected based upon their GPA using the following criteria:

1. All AP and Dual-Credit Courses are transferred in based upon the weight determined by the issuing institution.

2. All AP courses taught at Bishop Ryan are weighted.

3. All Dual-Credit Courses for which students must pay additional tuition/fees through Minot State University and the University of Mary are unweighted for the purposes of this selection.

Also, we will add an additional ranking of Highest Honors to our graduates for those with a 4.0 or above overall GPA as it shows on their transcripts. Motion to approve this proposal by Dawn Palumbo, second by Kathy Wald. Motion passes, all members voting yes. Dawn Palumbo recommends this policy be communicated to high school students and parents as soon as possible.

V. New Business

A. Board openings. Both Kevin Bohl and Shane Zaback are stepping down from their board positions for the 2017-18 school year. Little Flower Parish recommends Melissa Olson to fill Kevin Bohl's position; Our Lady of Grace will present a candidate by the May meeting. New members will be approved at the May meeting, and seated in June.

B. Softball Reclassification: Kim Hrichena brought to the attention of the board that the number of softball participants are declining and we soon may not be able to field both a Varsity and a Junior Varsity team. When the numbers get too low, we will be unable to compete at the Class A level (two teams are necessary) and would have to reclassify to Class B. Bryan Kramer informed the board that the deadline to reclassify is January 1st of the current school year for softball and baseball. Pros and cons of each level were discussed. Following discussion, recommend staying Class A until numbers determine the change.

Next Meeting Date: May 25 at 5:15 in the BRCS Library.

VI. School Reports

A. Elementary: Mrs. Steckler and Fr. Douglas Krebs – of 6 non-Catholic 2nd graders, 4 have now been baptized and are practicing Catholic faith.

B. High School: Mr. Lee – Contracts were due the 24th of April, Julie Stewart and Bryan Kramer have resigned. Positions to fill include 2 math; foreign language; guidance, physical education, and Activity Director.

C. Advancement: Steve Lipp – No additions to written report.

D. Marketing and Enrollment: Jaimie Brunner – 90 of 105 spots filled for pre-school for next year; number 30 and 31 Kindergarteners this week. Re-enrollment of grades 1-12 starts next month.

E. Chaplain's: Fr. Doug Krebs – Seminary trip for senior boys has been cancelled – time conflicts with being able to get back in time for prom.

F. President: Estimates almost all back for renovation project – will send by email when all costs are finalized, and ask for a vote to proceed.

VII. Committee Reports

A. Finance: Financials, checks, and year-end projections were discussed.

B. Staff & Student Policies: no report.

C. By-Laws: See old business.

E. Foundation: Dean Rubbelke absent – see President's written report.

F. Delegate: No report. Work underway on President's Evaluation.

G. Long Range Planning Committee: No report.

Comments: Fr. Harvey – Bishop Kagan has July 20th penciled in on his calendar for the Board's annual meeting.