



MCDONELL AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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Our Vision: We are the school of choice for an excellent Catholic faith based education within the Chippewa Falls area. We welcome all families to be a part of our school community no matter their faith or financial means. In partnership with our parents, we form the whole child in support of our values and mission. Our vision of the whole child consists of a lifelong learner, who upon graduation, is academically prepared for post-secondary education and career, grounded in relationship with Jesus Christ, balanced physically and emotionally, and actively engages as servant leaders in family, parish, and civic communities.

Our Mission: Committed to the formation of community, academic excellence and the spiritual and physical well-being of each student in the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

Education Commission - Summary

January 20, 2022

McDonell Library

Meeting ID

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AGENDA

LEAD

NOTES

Welcome and Call to Order	Andy S. Molly	Come. Holy Spirit and Hail Mary
Prayer Review Mission and Vision	Andy/All	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Youth Rotar spoke about faculty support at Rotary meetingSpirit of Jesus Christ is evident in the building with student courtesy and activity (musical)Staff member shared that prayers of MACS and St. Peter families helped carry her through recent illness
Consent Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none">Minutes – emailedPrincipals' ReportsDean of Academics ReportStudent Support Services ReportFinance & Facilities Committee - budget on agendaLong Range Planning Committee ReportAdvancement Advisory Committee ReportEnrollment	Andy All	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Nothing pulledDean of Academics oral report: January faculty in-service will focus on classical reflective practice and data assessments to plan for instructional adjustments for vulnerable studentsNo report for Technology - tabled (guest presenter next month)Note new Advancement Director hire Libby Leinenkugel - please welcome her!

Reports from Parish and Student Representatives		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student rep: High school had Cloverbelt All-Conference Band and Choir recently; musical is coming along
Athletics/Faith Boosters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guest presentations Committees <p><u>Finance & Facilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final Budget Presentation <p><u>Catholic Mission Team Report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Faith Boosters presentation <p><u>Ad hoc Dress Code Committee</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee Recommendations Education Commission feedback 	<p>Alexis/Greg M. Erica</p> <p>Scott Sokup</p> <p>No report</p> <p>Erin B.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MABC/Athletics report: added wrestling (will be recognized by WIAA next year), which adds another winter sport option and has 8 students participating this year MS/HS; MABC fundraisers are going very well this year; Focus is on facilities, especially locker rooms and showers Faith Boosters report: Kids Carnival is 1/30/22 at St. Charles; first Breakfast with Santa event went very well; group would welcome extra help/members and meets 2nd Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. (Andy Shakal discerning whether to join as committee assignment along with Gina Smiskey who is a current member) Campus Ministry report: Holy Spirit Week; Middle School EDGE updates; DTS is high school youth group on Sunday nights; Sarah Swafford Emotional Virtue talk went well and follow-up is planned; Haverim Tea Society is HS girls small group; Catholic Schools Week will have an Olympics theme; February 18 staff retreat will focus on kerygma; Steubenville-Rochester conference and Totus Tuus day program are coming up this summer Budget presented and approved Dress code committee report: survey highlights and recommendations presented; administration is taking recommendations into account with redrafting current dress codes K-12; follow-up items for committee include researching vendors for an optional school store (Huebsch is possible option) and looking into dress code standards for athletic uniforms
Commission Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tabled 	No report	
President's Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrollment opens January 31 Catholic Schools Week events University of Dallas event postponed 	Molly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current families encouraged to enroll early Catholic Schools Week covered by campus minister; be sure to get your tickets to Cinderella

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University of Dallas event postponed due presenter illness; looking at reschedule options
NEXT Education Commission Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guest Presentation: Technology President's Mid-Year Report 	Andy/All	Thursday, February 17, 2022 5:30 p.m.
Closing Prayer and Adjournment	All	Prayer

Membership

PRESENT	Name	Expertise	Role
EX	TJ Proue	Attorney Wiley Law S.C. Executive Committee Finance & Facilities Committee Long Range Planning Committee Co-Chair Ad Hoc Pandemic Committee	Chair/ St Charles Rep 2nd Term
X	Andy Shakal	Staff Engineer Executive Committee	Vice Chair/St John's Rep 1st Term
XV	Brian Eslinger	Eslinger Insurance Committee Assignment - Open	All Saints Rep 1st Term
XV	Tamara Bohaty	Bohaty Trucking	Holy Cross Rep 1st Term
X	Erin Brick	Homemaker (Biology and Theology degrees) Ad Hoc Catholic Education Event Ad Hoc Dress Code Committee	Holy Ghost Rep 1st Term
EX	Tracy Fischer	Dir of Social Service/Neighbors of Dunn County Ad Hoc Tuition Committee	Holy Ghost Rep 2nd Term
XV	Mike Crawford	Access Security Sales and Estimations Finance & Facilities Committee	Notre Dame Rep 2nd Term
X	Matt Elstran	Hideaway Resort & Francesca Resource Center Parent Ambassadors	Notre Dame Rep 3rd Term
X	Scott Siegenthaler	Assistant Director Financial Aid UWEC Long Range Planning Committee	Notre Dame Rep 2nd Term
	Vacant		Sacred Heart Rep
XV	Tracy Bormann	Human Resource Professional Advancement Advisory Committee	St Bridget's Rep 2nd Term

EX	Justus Busse	Deputy Chief Fire/EMS Safety and Emergency Procedures Co-Chair Ad Hoc Pandemic Committee	St Charles Rep 2nd Term
XV	Regi Geissler	Registered Nurse HSHS Safety and Emergency Procedures Co-Chair Ad Hoc Pandemic Committee	St Charles Rep 2nd Term
	Vacant		St Paul's Rep
XV	Gina Smiskey	Homemaker Ad Hoc Dress Code Committee Parent Ambassador Music Boosters Faith Boosters	St Peter's Rep 2nd Term
XV	Chad Brady	Software Consultant	At-Large Rep 1st Term

Ex-Officio

XV	Fr Jesse Burish	Notre Dame Church	Dean
EX	Fr Ethan Hokamp	McDonell Area Catholic Schools	Chaplain
X	Molly Bushman	McDonell Area Catholic Schools	President
XV	Mary Huffcutt	McDonell Area Catholic Schools	Dean of Academics
X	Brian Schulner	McDonell Area Catholic Schools	Principal ND & McD
XV	Eric Wedemeyer	McDonell Area Catholic Schools	Principal EC, SC & HG
XV	Jerry Smith	McDonell Area Catholic Schools	Principal EC, SC & HG
X	Scott Sokup	McDonell Area Catholic Schools	Controller
XV	Kathleen Adams	McDonell Area Catholic Schools	Exec Admin Asst Enrollment Coordinator

Student Representatives

EX	Paige Smiskey	McDonell Area Catholic Schools	Senior Representative
X	Megan Hanson	McDonell Area Catholic Schools	Junior Representative

Guest

X	Alexis Landherr	McDonell HS/Notre Dame MS	Athletic & Activities Director
X	Greg Misfeldt	McDonell Athletic Booster Club	President
X	Erica Boehm	McDonell HS/Notre Dame MS.	Campus Ministry Coordinator
EX	Rolly Enderes	Faith Boosters	President

Consensus Agenda

Enrollment Kathleen Adams

Last updated December 2021

Grade	Total Students 2020-2021	Total Students Enrolled 2021-2022 (11/12/2021)	New Students 2021-2022 (included in total students enrolled)	Inquiring Students 2021-2022	Inquiring Students 2022-2023
K	31	27	27		1 + 17 SC BB4C
1-2	72	67	5		1
3-5	95	120	21	1	1
6-8	115	115	21	1	4
9-12	155	178	29		11
Total	468	507		2	35

Dean of Academics Mary Huffcutt

Student Support Services

1. Three more students added to SNSP for second semester.
2. Intent to Participate due on March 1, 2022

Early Childhood, St Charles and Holy Ghost Eric Wedemeyer and Jerry Smith

Chippewa Steel Hockey players visit

Holy Ghost school took advantage of a unique opportunity and scheduled members of the Chippewa Steel amateur hockey team to come in and read and spend some time with some students. On Monday, Jan. 10, four players visited Mrs. Ericksen's (4th) and Mrs. Rogers' (5th) room for about 20 minutes each. The players read a book to each class and also answered questions. We look forward to having them back again and getting a chance to come back and spending time in other classrooms.

Local Author visit

On Friday, January 14, local author Carrie Bruhling visited students grades K-2 at St. Charles and 3rd grade at Holy Ghost. She presented to our students the process and inspiration that led to her publishing her children's book entitled *Bella Elephant Loves Yellow*. Some of our students purchased a signed copy of the book.

Winter assessments

An essential part of servicing our students is having the data to diagnose areas where specific students are struggling. This information also helps us evaluate our curriculum and teaching strategies. Both St. Charles (easyCBM) and Holy Ghost (easyCBM & MAP growth) completed their winter assessments last week. Teachers will evaluate the data and discuss interventions for students that are struggling this Friday, Jan. 21 during teacher in-service.

Jump Rope For Heart

On Thursday, Jan. 13 and Friday, Jan. 14, students at St. Charles and Holy Ghost competed in this year's Jump Rope For Heart event. This year also included our first ever virtual participants! Two students from each division qualified for the larger competition held in Bloomer on Saturday, Jan. 29. Students from both schools combined to raise \$6,178 for the American Heart Association. A huge "thank you" goes out to our students and also to our primary/elementary Physical Education teacher, Mrs. Val Siegenthaler for organizing the event and fundraiser.

Open Houses

Our winter open houses are scheduled for Tues, Feb. 1 at the Early Childhood center, St. Charles school and Holy Ghost from 3:30-5:30. This night offers interested families access to tour the buildings, visit classrooms and talk with teachers and the principals.

Notre Dame and McDonnell Brian Schulner

We have been dealing with quite a few Covid cases in the middle school and some in the high school. Notre Dame is over 20% absent due to positives or quarantines and is currently following masking protocol. We are monitoring each day.

We are currently working on the 2022-2023 Master Schedule. As announced, we will be moving to a trimester schedule next school year with a six period day in the high school and modified trimester system in the middle school. Registration for classes has begun.

The school musical "Cinderella" is slated to perform February 3-6 in the McDonell Auditorium. The Saturday performance is mask-only. Tickets are available for all of the performances.

Quarter two has wrapped up and grades will be posted the week of January 24th.

Thank you to the dress code committee for studying our dress code. We have taken the recommendations under advisement and are in the process of re-writing the expectations. We would appreciate the Education Commission's feedback as well.

Technology Josh McCormick

Advancement Molly Bushman

- Advancement Director has been hired: Libby Leinenkugel will start January 31 with announcement to go out next week
- Multiple grant deadlines coming up
- Advancement Advisory Committee has approved Ministry of Advancement Program vision
- Alumni gatherings in Florida tentatively planned for February/March
- Mardi Gras February 12 - Amanda Empey of Classic Events is chairing, please get your tickets