



BSS SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

November 8, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.

- **Parish Collaborative Update –**
 - Pastoral plan moving forward. Themes include: “love thy neighbor, love your God, and find your vocation”.
- **State of the School Updates – Jim & Jen**
 - Academic Updates
 - MAP testing “Coffee with the Principal” was well attended.
 - Board Strategic Initiative
 - Majority of 11/8/17 meeting was focused on new strategic plan and starting a SWOT analysis (strength, weaknesses, opportunities and threats) that will be used in drafting the plan.
 - Personnel
 - Cathy Murphy departing
 - Michelle Saunders has joined BSS.
 - Third grade teacher Rachel Davies is taking sabbatical to help with orphanages and schools in Kenya and Calcutta. Kristen Moses is moving to third grade.
 - Enrollment
 - 38 new students for next year already signed up.
 - As of Nov 8th, Preschool is full for 2018 (8 currently on waiting list).
 - November 2017 Open House had 17 families attend.
 - All retention efforts are being reviewed to further increase efforts to retain students (especially at 6th and 7th grade levels).
- **PC Updates – Dina**
 - Trunk or Treat Halloween event a huge success—23 cars, 163 children attended.
 - Plans underway for Dec. 2 Christmas Bazaar.
 - Mother/Son bowling outing. 119 children attended.
 - Trivia night Jan 27th.
- **Advancement Updates– Melissa**
 - Annual BSS golf outing/fundraiser resulted in \$19k of revenue.
 - Saint Francis Annual Fund. Implementing more options to donate this year
 - Videos to promote annual fund (Nov 28 Giving Tuesday).
 - Under the Stars planning underway. March 10 at Four Points Sheraton.

- **Committee Reporting**

- Technology
 - Discussed infrastructure needs (e.g. screens, computers) and introducing even more academic technology in the classrooms.
 - Emphasis on technology in strategic plan.
- Mission
 - Family spiritual hike on Oct 14 at Moose Hill. 14 families attended.
 - Christmas caroling and delivering poinsettias for the homebound is scheduled.
 - Cradles to Crayons family service day planned for Jan 27th.
 - Lenten retreat being planned.
- Student Life
 - Friday Night Lights is back!
 - Plans to explore yoga programs in January.