

## Student Council Meeting

November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Present: Fr. Haggerty, Fr. Fischer, Jen Palmquist, Mike Pesek, Lisa Kreutner and Becca Briggs

Absent: Greg Hanson, Rob VanLaecken

Opening prayer led by Fr. Haggerty

Meeting called to order by Mike

Agenda approved by Lisa and Jen

Minutes approved by Lisa and Jen

### Set Ablaze Update-Fr. Haggerty

- Committees have been meeting and also having town hall meetings to discuss the five categories the bishop has requested they focus on. They are working on a plan to improve the areas of worship, service, community, school and discipleship and evangelization.
- A plan will be presented to the bishop by May 1<sup>st</sup> regarding new ideas for growth and changes

### Principals Report-Becca Briggs

- Council opening- Considered adding a new member from Holy Rosary to represent that parish on the council as well. Overall students are 66% IC, 30% Holy Name, and 4% from Holy Rosary.
- Facilities Usage Agreement- a document has been drawn up for all coaches, parents, students using the IC gym for practices, etc. to cover the school from liability. All people using our facility will sign the document and be aware of the safety rules that will need to be adhered to.
- With the upcoming Accreditation Review several policies needed to be updated. Principal Briggs has revised the following policies:
  - Procurement Plan-makes sure we are following USDA Guidelines
  - Wellness Policy-federal requirement
  - Meal Charge Policy- now states that we will not deny a child a meal
  - Bullying Policy- now states how someone can report bullying anonymously
  - Restraint and Seclusion Policy
  - School Improvement Plan- required by the Department of Education. States the goals of the school and what we are doing to obtain them. One goal that was set is that our students test at 75% proficient. This is a lofty goal, but we are close to achieving.
- All of these policies were unanimously approved by the School Council
- Server Training- Fr. Haggerty has trained the 4<sup>th</sup> grade class in alter serving and given the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders a refresher course. Hoping to increase the number of volunteer servers and a reminder that this counts towards families volunteer hours
- Accreditation Review Update- The review will take place during Catholic Schools week. Everything needs to be presented to the Dept. of Education at least 2 weeks before the review. Principal Briggs is very close to having everything ready to submit.
- Student Council- members have been working on choosing class service projects for Advent as well as activities during Catholic School week

Next meeting will be January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Closing prayer led by Fr. Fischer

Submitted by: Jennifer Palmquist, Secretary