

**February 13, 2020**  
**BOTCE MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

**I. BOTCE Voting Members in Attendance:** Kathy Carnes, Katie Pilgrim, Luke Safarczyk, Brian Hicks, Megan Sandfoss, Sandy Grilly-Young, Michelle Hickey, Kerry Knollman, Laura Eibel

**BOTCE members not in Attendance:** n/a

**BOTCE Non-Voting Members in Attendance:** Jill Lonnemann, Betsy Greenwell, Janet Lees, Jennifer Casson, Emily Hanna

**General Attendance:** Michelle Mueller

**II. Opening Prayer:** Led by Brian Hicks.

**III. Review/Approval of Last meeting's minutes:** The January 20, 2020 minutes were approved unanimously via email.

**IV. Chairman's Report:** Brian read the mission statement to the Board.

- He discussed the fact that we need to look at members who were coming off their term and that the Diocese recommends going to an appointment method instead of voting for Board members. The terms of Kathy Carnes, Laura Eibel, and Megan Sandfoss will end at the end of May.

**V. Principal's Report: Jill Lonnemann**

- Technology: The Future of Education Technology Conference (FETC) that was held in Miami was a big win for Pius even though Pius got 2<sup>nd</sup> place. We were the smallest school and only Catholic school. Jill emphasized that as we move forward as a school with more and more technology, we have to define the "why" we are doing the technology. Are we doing it just to say we are using technology or is it really helping the students learn. We also need to create a better technology policy
- Spiritual : Catholic School week was very successful and very religious minded. The Mass at the Cathedral was nice as well as all of the events. ACRE testing is now complete. Diocese use it to see what are kids are learning in their faith. Kids do it in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade as well as PSR Students.
- Safety: Chief Schutte did three separate talks with the kids last week and it went well.

**VI. Asst. Principal's Report: Betsy Greenwell:**

- No Report.

## VII. Committee Reports:

**a. Public Relations/Culture:** Laura shared an idea that maybe easy and useful in promoting the school better. This group will review and discuss options for SPX.

Betsy revisited her speaker idea and said she wanted to focus on a culminating event with the Gift of Failure series and rethought having Jennifer Zumbiel come this year. She believed it would be better for her to come next year. Betsy has booked Friday, March 13 (approx.. 6:30-8:00) and asked Amy and Andy Mayer to speak along with a priest about the importance in our faith to have failure in our life. Janet Lees is also scheduled to speak and witness that evening with her husband about her journey with her family. Betsy is hoping to call it Soup for the Soul and serve dinner/soup before the speakers. She would like have help from the committee to plan the specifics. It was discussed if we could have a place to head to after the event where the fun could continue such as Braxton or even hold the event there.

(Committee members: Kerry, Katie, and Laura)

**b. Religious Education:** Janet Lees reported that confirmation was a very special process this year. Janet had interviewed each one of them and saw where each one of them were in their spiritual journey. She reported that it was a beautiful service.

PSR students did ACRE test just like the school kids. PSR kids have enjoyed doing the school theme each week along with the school.

She is also getting for Jesus Day Retreats and the upcoming sacraments.

(Committee members: Janet, Jill, and Betsy)

**c. Safety:** Michelle reported that the committee is struggling with what next steps it should be doing. Jill said that five years ago is was a much bigger need when there was not a school safety committee. Brian suggested that BOTCE could potentially be used to supplement the school safety committee when needed. Additional next steps should include Chief Chris Schutte meeting with the safety committee on their own to discuss some of the ideas.

(Committee members: Michelle, and Luke)

**d. Technology:** The technology committee at the school has been implemented and they will be meeting regularly to deal with policies and technology needs. This group consists of representatives from Administration, IT, BOTCE, Teachers, and Parents.

(Committee members: Brian)

**f. Policies:** The committee continued to review the policies and the Board went through the red-lined policies and proposals. Final edits will be sent out via email for a vote.

(Committee members: Meghan, and Sandy)

## VII. Old Business:

Sandy was going to explore opportunities for St. Elizabeth providing a nurse or a grant and assisting St. Pius. She met with St. Elizabeth's pastoral care and they were very helpful and wanted to help. She also met with Business Health at St. Elizabeth and they were willing to help with the wellness piece of this. Finally, she additionally met with the St. Elizabeth Foundation regarding the opportunity to use a grant to cover the expenses associated with this. She will continue to pursue these opportunities and report to the Board what she found.

**VIII. New Business:**

Looking at creating a gift-giving policy for future donations.

**IX. Executive Session:** No Executive Session needed.

Kathleen Carnes made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Laura Eibel. All in favor.

**X. Closing Prayer:** Led by Brian Hicks.