



MARY OUR QUEEN SCHOOL BOARD
MEETING AGENDA
"Where Faith and Knowledge Meet"

DATE: October 1, 2024 – 7:00 pm
LOCATION: MOQ Library
VIRTUAL LINK: meet.google.com/cnd-kcwo-nge
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS: (P=Present, A=Absent)

ATTENDANCE	NAME	POSITION
A	Father Marc Lim	Ex Officio - Pastor
P	Mrs. Maureen Hoy	Ex Officio - Principal
P	Peggy Croy	MOQ Faculty Representative
P	Cindy Tooher	MOQ Comm Director
P	Scott Murray	Board Member - President
P virtual	Kevin Van Winkle	Board Member - Vice Pres.
P	John Sullivan	Board Member – Secretary
P	Bob Soukup	Board Member
P	Anne McGill	Board Member
P	John Hillebrandt	Board Member
P	Ellie Stull	Board Member
P	Kelly Peklo	Board Member
P	Sarah Dempsey	Board Member

I. Opening Prayer

Dear Lord, thank you for the opportunity to meet today. May we engage with each other with faith and perseverance. May we manage each situation with wisdom and value. May we speak and serve with integrity and purpose. Lord, we invite you to work within us today.

II. Approval of Minutes

A. Meeting minutes for September distributed via email.

Motion: Ellie

Second: John H.

III. Academics: Standard Testing Results **Peggy Croy**

A. Fall Testing STAR Data, Trend Reporting.

1. Reading and Math scores were presented. Percentages for the fall Archdiocesan averages were not available at this time. School grade level percentages were compared for Spring 2024 to Fall 2024, keeping in mind that there is a grade level jump between years. National percentages are from both private and public schools across the country.

B. Parent Report Sent Home - Oct. 7



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IV. Principal Report

Maureen H.

A. Playground Installation

1. Maureen will be reminding students not to be on the playground outside of school hours without a parent.
2. Preschool/PreK - Forms have been laid for the concrete. Paths will connect the new to the old areas. Hopefully before the winter starts the new playground will be complete.

B. School Continuous Improvement Committee Update

1. Fill out the survey to help give this committee ideas for improvement. Students and teachers will also take a survey.

C. Parent Teacher Conferences

1. Links for sign-up will be coming out this week. FACTS has added a feature to make things easier for parents of the older students. STAR reports will go home this week.

D. Curriculum Night

1. Seemed to go well. No real issues were brought up. Handouts and emails with info have been well received. Might need a better way to see reminders for tests for the older students going forward.

E. Safe Environment Training

1. Initial training is good for 5 years. Don't let it expire. Recertification is simple and all online.

V. Pastors Report

Fr. Marc

- A. Father Marc is officially on sabbatical through December. Scott will talk with Fr. Steve to see if he'd like to attend meetings in Father Marc's absence.

VI. Old Business

- A. None

VII. New Business

A. Opportunity Scholarships

1. [Link here](#) for the video, and this is the password: **G3!DM?N7**
2. Ballot Referendum 435: Vote to Retain to keep \$25M Appropriations
3. PAC Funding to Repeal at \$1.6M, unlikely to remain past 2024.
4. Oct 21st Last Day to File [Tax Credit Form](#)
 - a. Estimate your Nebraska State Taxes for 2024



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- b. Prepay 50% of Tax Amount
 5. Education Scholarship [Application](#)
 - a. Entering Kindergarten or 9th grade in a qualified nonpublic school or entering the first grade level offered by a qualified nonpublic school; *or* Transferring from a public school to a qualified nonpublic school, entering any grade K-12 in a qualified nonpublic school; *or* A child of active duty military transferring from out of state, entering any grade K-12 in a qualified nonpublic school; *or* Currently enrolled in a qualified nonpublic school and a member of a family whose household income is at or below 213% of the federal poverty level.
 6. Might be an option to put out information in the Mustang Memo detailing both the ballot referendum and the prepaying of 2024 taxes. Scott will be sending out info on both areas, simplifying as much as possible to send out to families.
- B. Committees
 1. Parent Involvement
 - a. Address Parent Volunteer Program
 - 1) Decision made to require 15 hours/points per family (5 per single parent). No monetary portion at this point. Could be a case by case basis. Would start at enrollment time for the next school year.
 - 2) Robust social media campaign. Making the ask more approachable/appealing.

Questions to think about going forward:

- Who will track the family data for any consequences for not completing?
- Consequences? Do you give reports at conferences?
- Do people not know what is needed for volunteers?
- Safe Environment Training, is it a deterrent?
 - Anne reaching out to Renee. How many families are trained? Summer reminders for new families. Offering an option in the summer.
- People need to be asked. Volunteer with people they know makes it easier.
- Push out the "low hanging fruit" of typical needs mixed with the outside school hours.



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2. Finance
 - a. Fundraising Questions
 - 1) Working on a way to reach out for Bridge the Gap. Need to figure out how we meet all the goals with other monetary asks as well. Want to make sure the true metrics are out there for people to understand better. End goal would be to have communication out there to raise \$150,000-\$200,000 for the 2026-2027 school year.
 - b. School Board Appeal Letter for BTG
 - 1) Scott working with Cindy to draft a letter from the board.

VIII. Meeting Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: John H.
Second: Bob

Next Meeting: November 5th, 2024 @ 7pm
Location: MOQ Library

IX. Closing Prayer

All

Thank you, Lord, for your presence with us this day. As we depart from this space now, we ask you to bless us throughout the remainder of the evening and guide us safely home. Do not let the learning and conversations of this gathering die, but, instead, may they continue to ruminate within us and bear fruit in our ministries throughout the year, until we find ourselves together again. We ask this in the name of Jesus, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, Amen.