

School Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

5.1.2025

1. Opening Prayer
2. Approval of Minutes – The Council reviewed the April meeting minutes. Mrs. Nesbit made a motion to approve. Mrs. Capps seconded that motion. The minutes were approved by consent.
3. School Update
 - a. May is a busy month with various field trips, May crowning, and the 8th grade class trip.
 - b. Preschool through 8th grade is at 523 total students for 2025-26 enrollment.
 - c. Staff needs – Still need a middle school English teacher. The PE teacher position has been offered but not yet accepted.
 - d. New ELA curriculum – will be going with Amplify CKLA Edition 3 and will use for phonics as well. Information will be posted to the school website.
 - e. ILEARN was finished on 5-1-25 for all students. Scores will be in before July.
 - f. New SAC members – Mrs. Kennison presented current SAC members with a list of new SAC members who will be joining during the August meeting. Last meeting for exiting members will be in June. Future meetings of SAC council will be in the Spanish Room.
 - g. Offices – Office space in the school will be rearranged with the addition of an Assistant Principal and tuition manager.
4. Shamrock Spectacular – Will occur in 2 weeks. Auction baskets are being delivered to Mrs. Kennison's room. Tables will have past yearbook photos on them. Father Armbruster will be honored as alumni. Ms. Swihart will be honored as teacher. This will be Mrs. Kish's last year to do Shamrock Spectacular. The School Advisory Council will be taking over planning in the future. Qtego will be used for the silent auction. Student artwork will be displayed.
5. Volunteerism – Letter – Link – Opportunities – The letter is ready to be distributed with a link to log volunteer hours. A list of volunteer opportunities and contact information for each category has been prepared for distribution. The Council considered other activities that should be added to the list. A volunteer template thank you card was suggested to be given to all individuals who volunteered during the school year. The Council suggested volunteer opportunities should be

solicited as early as possible so that parents can request changes to their work schedules.

6. Background checks – Mrs. Kennison discussed sending out a code with the volunteer information for parents to complete the Safe Parish training module.

7. For the Good of the Cause

- a. School/PTO Events – The Council suggested sharing dates for all school events in the beginning of the school year and soliciting volunteers. Then account for any events that are cancelled/removed from the calendar. New PTO bylaws will be drafted to dictate future operating procedures including communications with school parents.

Closing Prayer