



NATIVITY^{of} MARY SCHOOL

**Nativity of Mary School Advisory Council
Thursday, January 18, 2018
7 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
Conference Room**

Nativity of Mary School Mission Statement

“Nativity of Mary School provides a Catholic education that fosters academic excellence and spiritual growth while preparing students to become responsible citizens in a global society.”

Attendees

X	Fr. Gjengdahl	X	Sarah Gonnella	X	Jeff Giles
X	Brian Comeau	E	Dan Riley	X	Jody Lazo
E	John Povony	X	Lydia Sokoto	X	Laura DePoint
X	Holly Long	X	Kathy Daggett	X	Mindy Reeder
X	Becky Egan	X	Virginia Downey		

X = Attended; E = Excused/Out

- December Minutes Approved
- Principal Report – attached addendum
- Teacher Report
 - Catholic Schools Week 1/28/18 – 2/1/18
 - Kick off at mass 1/28/18 with open house to follow
- 2017-2018 Committee Updates
 - Focus for the Future
 - What is a 21st Century School?
 - Engaged learning
 - Build an example future classroom
 - Paradigm shift – link will be sent out
 - Need to help parents understand the why
 - Need to relay no additional costs to parents or increase in tuition
 - Follow up action – teachers to present a report on Responsive Classroom
 - PTO
 - Family dance 2/9/18
 - Holiday Boutique raised approximately \$1450
 - Messy Art Night coming up for PK - 5; recommend later in February
 - Suggest smaller class activities and invitations
 - Proposed an April happy hour
 - Next meeting 2/13/18; may move with Ash Wednesday/Valentine’s Day
 - Technology
 - Slow internet issues during school day being resolved
 - Fund a need option?

- Fundraising/Development
 - Need to combine events better for increased participation and fewer requests from families
 - Need to reevaluate 8th grade field trip fundraising
 - Safety
 - \$4000 spent of the \$5000 grant received from Bloomington Police on sign-in/volunteer badging system
 - Need to add where volunteering
 - Remaining funds:
 - Replace teacher walkie talkies
 - Replace classroom emergency books
 - Early Childhood Expansion – No update at this time
 - Marketing
 - 35W signage
 - DOT renovating 35W exit at 98th; signage should wait until completed
 - Simple revamp of sign on Lyndale from the Parrish
 - Need to focus additional money to PK families
- Fund a Need Ideas
 - Internet Infrastructure Upgrades
 - Arts program
 - Tuition/Budget for 2018-2019 School Year
 - Not finalized to date
 - 3% increase to first child is proposed
 - Lunch Program Update
 - Improved vendor over TAHR
 - No significant cost increase
 - TADS – Continuous Enrollment Plan/Costs
 - Cannot use continuous; school needs to enroll
 - Capital Campaign Update – Funds Raised vs. Goal
 - Mindy will request John Povony send an update in an email
 - Preschool Changes for Next Year
 - Creative Clubhouse Certification
 - Child must be 4 years and 9 months old due to regulations
 - Before School Care for Preschool Students
 - Consider offering in PK room
 - SAVE THE DATE
 - Spring SAC Retreat on Saturday, April 7 from 8 am to noon.
 - Location: Fireside Room – Bearpath Golf & Country Club
 - Executive Session – No executive session in January.

Next SAC meeting will be held on February 8, 2018 at 7 am