

St. Emily School

MEETING MINUTES

7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

May 11, 2023

TOPIC: To foster Catholic education, advise administration and support the mission of St. Emily Catholic School.

Attendees: School Advisory Board Members
Facilitator: School Advisory Board President, Mike Burns
Note Keeper: Amy Cattapan
Timekeeper: Father Presta

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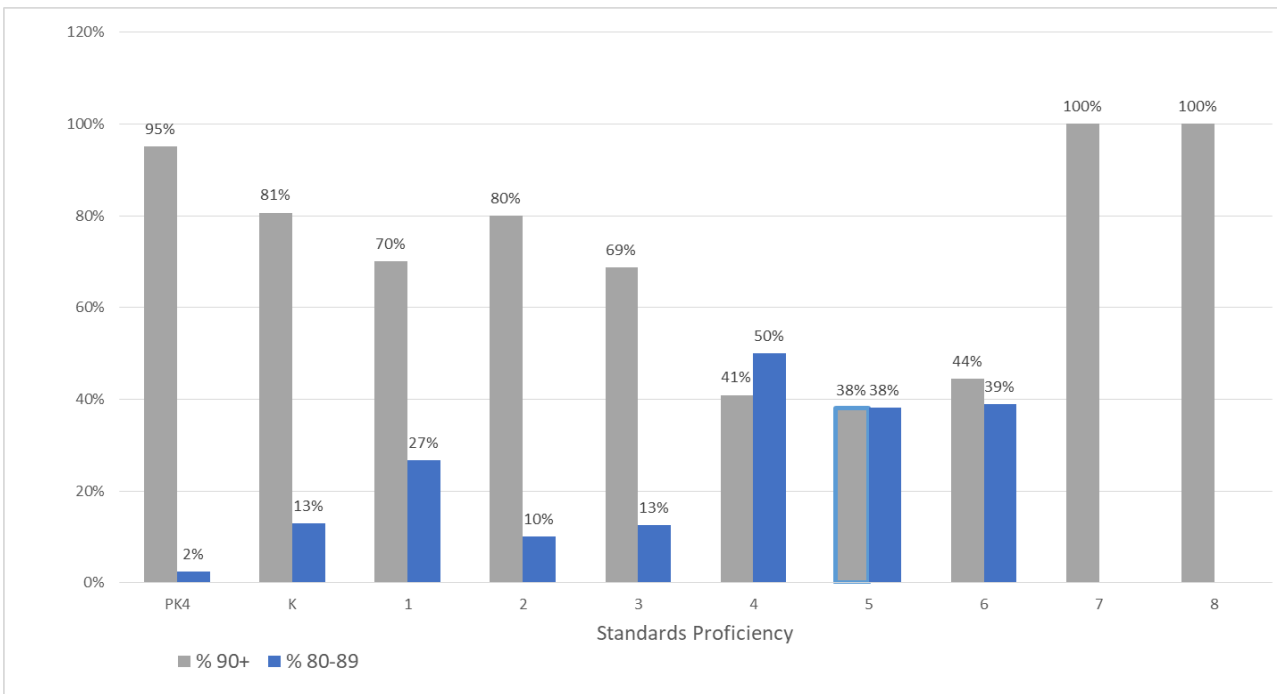
7:05 p.m. Fr. Presta began the meeting with prayer.

Pastor's Report:

- 1) Second graders from our parish school and our Religious Education program celebrated First Communion Masses April 29-30.
- 2) Fr. Presta and Fr. Hank have been encouraging students to honor Mary during the month of May by doing things such as praying the rosary, especially for peace in the world.
- 3) Summer programs include Totus Tuus and Summer Bible Camp. Online registration: www.stemilyreled.org/summer-faith-programs. Any questions? Contact David Mika (dmika@stemily.org)
 - a. Totus Tuus – run by Archdiocese of Chicago where youth connect with their faith through prayer, catechism, participation in daily Mass, and fun!
 - i. July 16-20: Evening program from 7:00-9:00 p.m. for grades 7-12
 - ii. July 17-21: Day program from 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. for grades 1-6, which includes story, song, crafts, and games
 - b. Vacation Bible School (July 24-28) – Experience our Holy Land Adventure for 2023-Babylon. Children will learn the story of Daniel's courage in captivity through story, song, crafts, and games.
 - i. Day program for grades K-6
 - ii. 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 - iii. Students in grades 7-12 (and adults!) are welcome to volunteer

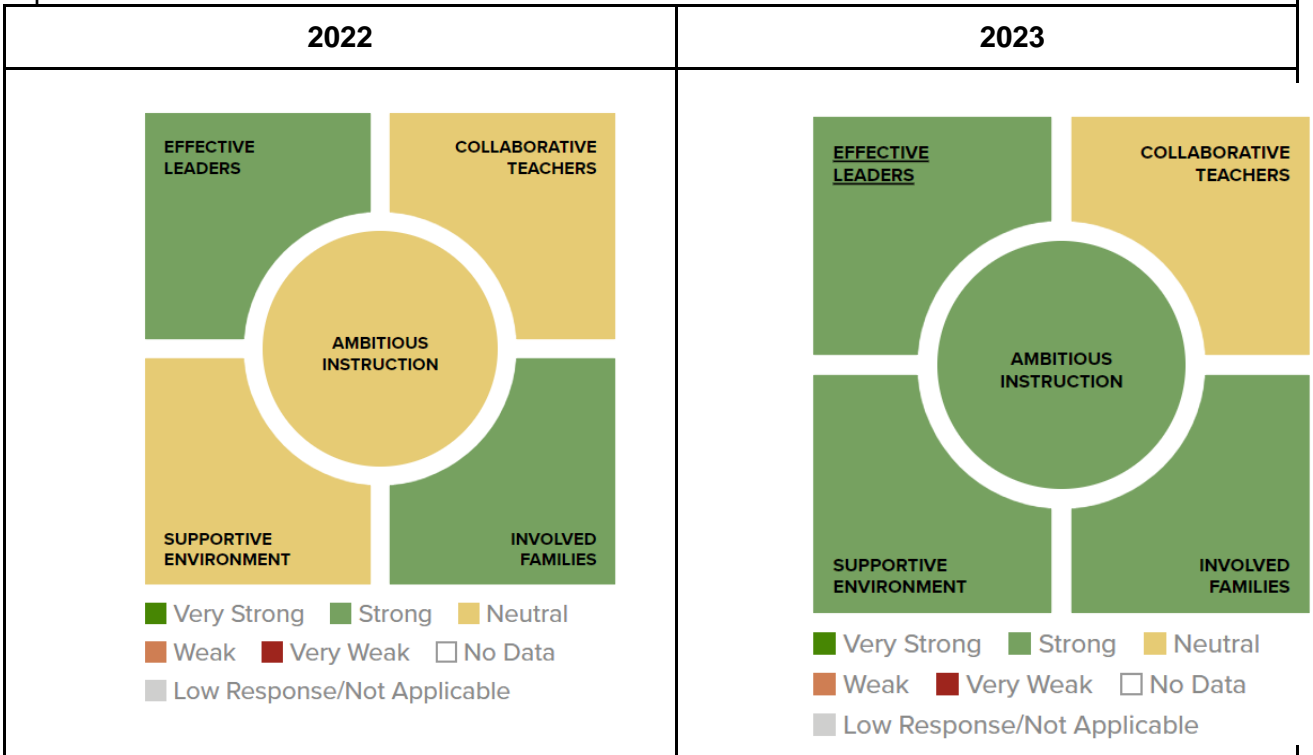
Principal's Report:

1. i-Ready Spring Diagnostic (Grades K-8) – All students are taking this assessment in the final days of school.
2. In April, all students (PreK-4 - 8) completed a religion assessment. All Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic schools, including Big Shoulders Fund schools, were required to participate in the system-wide rollout of a unique, standards-based religion assessment aligned to our religion curriculum standards for the Archdiocese of Chicago.



3. 5 Essentials Survey

Schools that are at or above benchmark on 3 or more essentials are 10 times more likely to improve than schools that are below the benchmark.



Community

Lunch in Sullivan Hall has been very successful! This has been a perfect opportunity to collaborate with teacher, staff, and parents in order to establish new procedures and ensure a smooth transition.

Marketing

There are 254 students currently enrolled for next year.

	22-23	23-24	New	Not Registered	Not Returning	Not Registered/Still Potential
PK3	25	15				
PK4	41	32	9	2	1	1
K	31	41	11	12	12	0
1	30	21	1	10	8	2
2	19	27	2	5	3	2
3	13	18	1	2	2	0
4	22	15	4	2	1	1
5	21	20	0	2	0	2
6	19	21	2	2	2	0
7	30	15	0	4	2	2
8	10	29	0	1	0	1
	261	254	30	42		
					31	11

Note: Students listed in 23-24 are the grade they are entering.

Personnel

- Retiree - Regina Kinasz
- Bridget Gawlik has chosen to leave after 9 years of service at St. Emily.
- The following teachers will be recognized for their years of service as they reach a milestone:
 - Laura Erickson 5 years
 - Mallory Letica 15 years
 - Regina Kinasz 20 years
 - Sandy Brogmus 50 years

Athletic Report:

- 1) Sectional Track Meet on Saturday to compete for the upcoming State Meet.
- 2) Support Services: Candy and drinks given to eighth grade to sell to supplement Ribbon Day costs.
- 3) Leftover water donated to Track-a-thon.
- 4) Athletic Director news:
 - a. Boys Volleyball season is over. They made it to the first round place in playoffs.
 - b. No softball or kickball teams for this season due to low numbers or lack of interest within the conference.
- 5) All uniforms are coming back from the students to store for the future.
- 6) Next year's registration is now open for basketball and cross country.

- 7) Next year, the fifth grade basketball will host four games. No concessions will be provided for next year as only \$36 was made in profits this year.
- 8) Cross country team has been invited to three meets next year.
- 9) Alumni Games: Great success for those who came and played. Students enjoyed the end of the night dodgeball game. Since the night was so short with our small number of teams this year, it was decided to add this to the mix.
- 10) For next year: possibility of inviting all of the players who have comprised the teams (es. Moved up to provide the right number of players) even though they are not yet in seventh or eighth grade. This way the entire seventh or eighth grade teams would be invited to attend.
- 11) Athletic Banquet: Very well planned by Kathy Bruno and her team. Food from Giacomo's was delicious. Sean Burns and Sabrina DiVito were our alumni who returned to give their advice in a speech to the attendees. Both were very well written and received.
- 12) The Lucy Bergstrom Lady Eagle Award was awarded to Cassie Martinez.
- 13) The Lee Jurka Award was awarded to Rian Martinez.
- 14) Dates for next year's events:
 - a. Alumni Games: April 20, 2024
 - b. Alumni Banquet: April 26, 2024
- 15) Next year the Board is looking for a Co-Athletic Director/Secretary/Support Service staff. A flyer will be in an upcoming Wednesday News.
- 16) Coaches will also be needed throughout the year for some of the sports teams.
- 17) Next year's first Board Meeting will be on Thursday, August 31, at 4:30.
- 18) Upcoming monthly meetings: October, January, February, May 2023-2024

Development Report:

Diana Kozojed is retiring, and her last day will be June 9. Six grants are currently in process.

Finance Report:

Currently, the parish and school continue to be in a good position.

FSA Report:

Final two Dine-n-Share Events:

- 5/18 Hubby's Dog House
- 6/3, 4 Le Peep

5/21 Mother-Son Outing

6/1 School Picnic

Hot lunches have been a success

8:10 p.m. Closing Prayer