

St. Dominic Education Commission
April 13, 2020

Meeting held via video conference

Attendance: Juliane Belisle, Jessica Williams, Peter Gibbs, Jeff Lively, Patrick Lahni, Mike Liderbach, Bill Cavanaugh, Kim Luebbering, Ken Streder

Absent: Jennifer Bizaillon

- 1) Call to Order - 7:00
- 2) Opening Prayer
- 3) Approval of March Minutes **Approved by unanimous consent**
- 4) Election Update
 - a) **Mark Goins, Joe Kruessel, Michael Stenger, Jessica Remmel, Tobie Delaney**
 - b) **Postpone election to Sunday before Labor Day (Aug 29/30), approved by unanimous consent**
- 5) First Communion (and Graduation?) Update - Plans? What can we do to help?
 - a) **Considering through May 17 (end of PSR school year) or postpone to fall. Also considering letting families choose a weekend they like, to celebrate during mass.**
 - b) **Recommend choice of any of three weekends in summer. Need to coordinate with parish office for presider schedule to ensure one of our clergy is celebrating.**
- 6) Principal's Update - What Support/Plans are in place? What can we do to help?
 - a) **Graduation**
 - i) **Discussing with parish and school leadership options if formal ceremony not possible by end of school year.**
 - ii) **Although many standardized tests are being cancelled, plan to postpone AIR test for math achievement/placement. Bill to work with Mrs Teepen and Dr Romanello to coordinate.**
 - iii) **Proposed some sort of tribute from other grades, maybe through Blackhawk Buddies.**
 - b) **17 people furloughed in parish & school**
 - c) **Working with St Vincent de Paul to get food to school families in need**
 - d) **Teachers have assembled a video reciting St Dominic unity prayer, will post on school social media**
 - e) **~88% return registration for 2020-21, 375 students, plus some new families**
 - f) **Two positions open: 8th grade and computer, interviewing remotely**
 - g) **Mr Cavanaugh and Dr Romanello actively reaching out to students/families who are struggling with work. Will also be reaching out to families who haven't turned in work or responded to teacher inquiries.**
 - h) **Advise compiling teacher feedback on what is and is not working, use to improve current teaching and future preparedness.**

- i) Asking for information on families who might be financially struggling. Resources are available from St Vincent de Paul, other parish resources.
 - j) Administration is considering communication to address questions about tuition reimbursement.
- 7) PTO
- a) Will be offering reimbursement for hot lunch prepays
 - b) Walkathon will not be a fundraiser this year. If event is held (i.e., if school is back in session), will be paid for by PTO
 - c) Several positions open for next year.