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DSCS Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes

March 10th, 2026 – 6:30 PM

In attendance: Tim Dubey, Vicki Malueg, Hal Steffen, Angie Leider, Carli Reuteler, Janine Morano, Holly Masengarb, Amanda Watry, Lynn Sauer. Absent: Lora Schroeder, Hannah Shininger, Shawna Laumann.

Lenten Prayer read by all at 6:38 PM.

Mission Statement read together.

Principal Report- Advisory Commission March 10th, 2026

WCSA Goals Update

- Domain A- 2.5 – Faculty uses the lenses of Scripture and the Catholic intellectual tradition in all subjects to help students think critically and ethically about the world around them.
- Domain B- 5.6-The governing body engages in formation and on-going training and self-evaluation for itself and the leadership team to ensure the faithful execution of their respective responsibilities.
 - Domain C-7.3 (Grounded in Gospel values,) Curriculum and instruction for 21st century learning provide students with the knowledge, understanding and skills to become creative, reflective, literate, critical, and moral evaluators, problem solvers, decision makers, and socially responsible global citizens. 9.2 Guidance services, wellness programs, behavior management programs, and ancillary services provide the necessary support for students to successfully complete the school program.
- Domain D- 12.1-The school's facilities, equipment, and technology management plan includes objectives to support the delivery of the educational program of the school and accessibility for all students.

Academics

- We are working on putting together a teacher committee to address our writing curriculum. Our goal will be to find common language that we can use across all grade levels and implement a more systematic approach to teaching writing skills.
- We were able to purchase some high interest/low readability readers to help some of our struggling readers. They come from a company called High Noon. My daughter Abby is a librarian in Iowa, and she was able to direct us to this company. They have amazing resources and we will be looking at getting more readers that align with our Foundations curriculum. **The readers were purchased with teacher wish list funds.**

Staff Professional Learning Community (PLC):

- Our teachers who teach reading continue to meet to discuss important Science of Reading information two or three times each month.

- Our teachers met on February 18th to go over our student writing prompts. We spent time looking at and discussing student writing samples from grades 4k-8th. We then reflected on things we noticed and things we wonder about our students as writers.

Building & Grounds

- We had a furnace issue on the second floor again. This time it was the furnace that heats the 4th grade & math & science room. Willie Diederich and Tim Dubey worked together to get it fixed quickly.
- The door 8 lock mechanism has been fixed, but there was a problem with the re-keying. We are working to fix this problem.
- Our lunchroom floor was washed with the wrong scrubbers on the machine after the February 20th fish fry. The scrubber was intended for floor prep for waxing. It has left the floor looking very scuffed up. We are working on getting things clearly labeled and providing better training on the operation of the floor scrubber.
- Carla Schommer is in the process of working on her gardening grant. Plans include raised garden beds, a greenhouse and more.

Personnel

- We are looking for more substitute teachers.
- Letters of intent have been returned..

School Safety

- We will be publishing the new EOP in this month and replacing the existing EOP's in all classrooms and offices. ● We are still waiting for the AED that is on backorder. Once it arrives it will be mounted on the 3rd floor. ● We will be re-keying the school building. We will also be having staff, volunteers and renters sign a key contract. We will be doing key checks yearly. We will be meeting with the locksmith this month.
- Officer Santino arranged Stop the Bleed Training for our staff on February 27th.
- We wrote the Bruce Krier Grant to help finish up some of our safety initiatives. We asked for the rest of our security doors, new windows on all levels and the cost of rekeying the building.
- Four of our staff members attended a two-day reunification training on February 16th & 17th in Wisconsin Dells. It was a great training and we learned a lot.

Mission & Catholic Identity

- Our theme this year is **Let Your Light Shine**. Each month we will focus on a different virtue or trait that will help us to let the light of Christ shine in our lives, in our school and in the world. During the month of September we worked on letting our lights shine with: **Patience**. During October we let our lights shine with **Respect**. In November we let our lights shine with **Gratitude**. During December we were focused on being **Joyful**. During January we worked on **Self-Control**. In February our focus was on **Forgiveness**. This month we will be letting our light shine by **Evangelizing**.
- Last month our middle school students sold Valentine cookies. We were able to raise over \$400.00 for our student council activities.
- Our cereal collection for the Port Washington Food Pantry was successful! We collected over 100 boxes. We will be having a cartoon & cereal party during snack time soon!
- We had a Taste Test Tuesday in February where the staff tasted all types of Goldfish Crackers. ● Our staff members have been taking part in a **Hallow** staff challenge each month. During Lent we will be taking part in a **Lent** challenge.
- Our Lenten theme is **Heroes of Lent**. We will gather as a whole school on March 10th for Stations of the Cross. Our middle school students will present the Stations.
- We are collecting Aluminum Cans for Sister Jo in Texas & we are collecting t-shirts for Bob's Under the Bridge

Returning/New Student Aug-93 Oct-94 Jan-95 Mar-96	96
Not Returning	12
New Families	3
Undecided/ No Response	3
New Siblings	10
Families	54

Marketing Report

January	11 Cards- \$8.03 postage (\$0.73)		Marketing Promo Bags Amazon- customized 200 ct. \$64.96
February	7 cards- \$5.11 postage (\$0.73)		
March	12 cards- \$8.76 postage (\$0.73)		

Marketing Discussion

Lynn shared some of the marketing videos that Holly has created for use on the school social media pages. Lynn and Holly attended one marketing training through the Archdiocese, and have another one coming up. Holly noted that the school's Facebook page has really grown, growing from 200-some followers last summer to over 650 now. The primary focus of the marketing on the social media pages is to evangelize and show followers some of the things the students/staff do on a daily basis.

School Calendar Review

Lynn shared the draft of the 2026-2027 school calendar. She receives a copy of the Northern Ozaukee & Random Lake School District calendars and tries to plan the Divine Savior calendar around them as much as possible. Divine Savior will have a few extra days off for Christmas break. Divine Savior will also have a different spring break than NOSD again as Holy Week falls during NOSD's break again this year.

Other

Angie Leider asked a question regarding a study she had heard about showing that student test scores are going down with the use of technology. Discussion followed regarding how much technology is being used in the classrooms. Lynn stated that she is in favor of reducing technology use when not necessary, and that the teacher group as a whole has been discussing ways to do more pencil & paper and hands on activities.

Closing prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Submitted by:
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