

SPRINGFIELD CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI
Springfield Catholic High School – Library Lab
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, November 13, 2025

Present: Kent Lammers, Jane Fairchild, Boyd Crockett, Larry O'Reilly, Ryan O'Reilly, Fr. Tom Kiefer, Fr. David Hulshof, Fr. Lewis Hejna, Lisa Ellis, Cheryl Bond, Becky Conroy, Jeanne Skahan, Ronnie Bohrer, Brian Pyck, Laura McBride, Ashley Harris, Paige Duda, Stephany Vesely, Lindsay Wright

Absent: Fr. Shoby M. Chettiyath

OPENING PRAYER Fr. David Holshof opened the meeting with a prayer at 6:01 p.m.

A. **REVIEW OF CONSENT ITEMS:** The October Minutes and Consent Agenda and items were reviewed prior to the meeting. Kent Lammers asked for a motion to approve the consent items and minutes. This motion was made by Ryan O'Reilly and seconded by Fr. Tom Kiefer. The motion was approved.

B. REPORTS

1. **Financial Statements:** Lisa Ellis will present the October and November Financials at the December School Board meeting.
2. **Enrollment** for the 2025-2026 school year is at 1,329 students.

D. Director of Schools: Mrs. Jeanne Skahan shared several updates including:

- Take a Break cleaning services are being used to clean SCHS.
- We are still looking for a head janitor and bus driver.
- MO Scholars applications are open
- Home&Schools are working on getting donations for the Teachers' Purse
- Reviews of the math curriculum are taking place
- Teachers can apply for Endowment Grants
- All our SCS schools are preparing for Advent

E. Director of Advancement: Becky Conroy shared several updates including:

- Celebrating Our Shepherds Month raised awareness and over \$125,000 from over 100 donors.
- Marketing is focusing on recruitment efforts including connecting with area daycares and employers through information flyers
- Emerald Evening committee is working on securing sponsorships and committee meeting starting on December 2nd
- I Give Catholic/Giving Tuesday is December 2nd
- CBNO Christmas Party is December 3rd

F. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Policy – Second Reading: Kent Lammers asked for a motion to approve the following policies. This motion was made by Ryan O'Reilly and seconded by Boyd Crockett.
 - a. Policy 3.11 Mission, Vision, Philosophy, and Goals
 - b. Policy 3.12 Class Size
 - c. Policy 3.12A Guidelines for Class Size
2. Softball Field Proposal – Brian Pyck presented a proposal for the board to consider in order to start fundraising for turfing the SCHS baseball field allowing both baseball and softball programs to share a high-quality, year-round playing surface.
3. Sound System Update – Brian Pyck explained that there is a conduit issue that they are waiting on a bid for in order to move forward with the project.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Policy – 1st Reading
 - a. 3.13 Lenten Policy
 - b. 3.21 Regular Board Meeting (omit time for meeting)
 - c. 3.22 Board Agenda
2. Parent Code of Conduct & Cell Phone Recommendations for Middle & High School is being drafted by the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau.
3. Fr. David Holshof explained the Immaculate Conception Elementary School will be implementing the Raptor Visitor Management security system starting as soon as possible. It will serve as a pilot for the other schools in our system.

CLOSING PRAYER: Fr. Tom Keifer closed the meeting with prayer at 7:07 p.m.