

St. Joseph Catholic School
2 N. Alton Street Freeburg, IL 62243
School Advisory Council
November 24, 2025

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM. Present were: Brandy Hildebrand, Kristi Correll, Father Michael, Janna Owens, Paige Wriston, Kristin Heap, Julie Davenport.

I. The opening prayer was led by Father Michael.

II. Principal's Report

- A. No Change: Added a new PreK student, A family from Montana starting in January..2 boys: 3rd & 4th Grade
- B. Poettker's Catering: Lunch program needs someone to serve lunch 10:30-12:30, this person needs to be food-handler certified, idea of hiring someone (\$100/week)...email going out to school families.
- C. Text Book fees will stay the same at \$250, not doing the School Supply Kits
- D. Star Testing: Students are tested monthly, RTI teacher is using results
- E. New Chess Coach: Jim Nowatzki

Pastor's Report

- F. ICLE (Institute for Catholic Liberal Education) discussions and getting our ideas together. Looking into ways to help our school grow and helping our kids grow.

III. Committee Updates

- **Policy & Curriculum:** Looking at the curriculum maps ..will start looking at Math in January
- **Building & Grounds:** Waiting on the quote for the basketball hoops, Looking into shades/blinds for the school building,& Fencing around the playground pit area.
- **Annual Fund:** Donations are coming in so far we have \$4000, Goal is \$14,000
- **Finance:** The Sister Catherine Fund is up to \$69,000. Waiting for directions on how the fund will be used.

- **Mission Effectiveness**

- PTF Events:**

1. Family Fun Night December 4
2. Santa's Cottage December 12
3. PreK event during Catholic Schools Week
4. Looking into ways to bridge St. Joseph School kids and PSR
5. Auction Update: Help needed for different jobs, these jobs will be communicated to the school families

Father led us in a closing prayer at 8:10pm.

Next Meeting Tuesday, December 16, 2025 at 6:00 at Reifschneiders