



Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, October 15th, 2025 - 6:30pm

AGENDA

1. Call meeting to order – CA – Time: 6:33pm
 - 1.1. Reading of the School Mission Statement: Our mission at Holy Spirit is to learn, live, and share the message and teachings of Jesus Christ.
 - 1.2. Members present: Chris Abid, Tyler Erhorn, Dan Grey, Sara Aldworth, Tony Torsell, Barb Vidro
 - 1.3. Ex-Officio Members Present: Rev. Mark Peacock, Rev. Nick Baker, Pat Kalahar, Paula Ryan
 - 1.4. Members Absent: Scott Aikens, Vicki Jansma, Brendan Kelly, Alan Rheault
2. Guests Present - None
3. Opening Prayer – Fr. Nick
4. Approval of the Agenda
 - 4.1. A motion to approve was made by: Tyler Erhorn
 - 4.2. Second made by: Sara Aldworth
 - 4.3. In favor All | Opposed: None
5. Public Recognition – NONE
6. Recommended Actions:
 - 6.1. New Business
 - 6.1.1. Construction update and details -
 - Fr. Mark provided an update on the Inspired by the Spirit Campaign and construction project beginning this week.
 - Fr. Mark shared that Inspired by the Spirit pledges total 5.8 Million, and generosity continues to pour in.
 - At the time of this meeting, the contractor is awaiting one final permit from the City to begin work.
 - The plan is to not displace the CDC and preschool until after the school year ends. At which point, summer care and programs will temporarily move to the school until the project concludes.
 - Dan asked Pat if the Board could assist with reaching our goal by calling or writing to school families who have not yet pledged. Leadership will consider this as a possible next step and follow up with the Board in the near future.
 - 6.1.2. Enrollment and staffing update -
 - Pat updated the Board that Holy Spirit enrollment on the official count day was 391 students—which is a 12% increase from last academic year. This growth includes 30 new families and additions across multiple ages and grade levels.
 - Pat also highlighted multiple new hires including Mrs Dolci (Young Fives), Ms Butch (4th Grade), Miss Phillips (5th Grade), and Hannah St. Andre (Music)
 - 6.2. Information and Proposals
 - 6.2.1. Pastor's Report – Father Mark & Father Nick

-Fr. Mark presented the Holy Spirit Parish 3 Year Strategic Plan and Vision for FY 2025-2027. Handout of the plan was provided during the meeting.

6.2.2. Principal's Report – See attached report.

-Pat highlighted school security and informed Board that Mass times will no longer be listed on public websites or social media platforms. Parents will continue to be informed of school and mass schedules through weekly emails.

-Pat highlighted recent professional development which included early childhood literacy, Diocesan back to school kickoff, and school safety training.

-Pat also took time to recognize the parent meetings that Fr. Mark and Fr. Nick have been leading to start the school year.

6.2.3. Athletic Director Report - See attached report.

6.2.4. Religious Education Director's Report - No report included in agenda. Board discussed and since this is largely a ministry of the Parish, that our Board will no longer expect a regular report. Fr. Mark and the Board agreed that having an update on Sacramental Life would still be beneficial for the School Board Members.

6.2.5. Parish Finance Report - will be emailed out after the meeting

6.2.6. CDC Director Report - See attached report.

6.3. Committee Reports – None

6.3.1. 2025-26 Meeting Calendar

-Chris discussed the meeting cadence and encouraged Board members to attend the DOGR School Board Summit: *(See end of minutes for information on School Board Summit)*

-December meeting will be a Holiday gathering.

-Chris invited all Board members to attend an All School Mass together in December. The date will be shared at upcoming meetings.

-January meeting - Multiple conflicts with 1/21/2026 date, so tentatively adjusted up one week to 1/14/2026.

7. Next Meeting Date –

-Chris would like to have a gathering of just the School Board members on a Sunday in November to chart our course for the school year.

-Schedules will be coordinated via email after the meeting

8. Adjournment

8.1.1. A motion to adjourn was made by: Tyler Erhorn

8.1.2. Second made by: Barb Vidro

9. Meeting Adjourned @: 7:31 pm



The 2025 **Fall Summit** is on **Wednesday, November 12**, from **6:30 - 8:00 P.M.** at Cathedral Square Center. Breakout sessions below. [RSVP here!](#)

OPENING SESSION

Prayer and opening remarks from our new Superintendent, Sarah Grey.

ADMISSIONS & MARKETING

“From Welcome to Growth: How Unreasonable Hospitality Builds Schools and Belonging”

Presenter: [Kristin Moore](#) - Director of Marketing and Enrollment at the Archdiocese of Seattle

BUILDING & GROUNDS and FINANCE

“Selecting Strategic Building Partners to Deliver on Your Mission”

Presenter: Mike Hofmann - Director of Architecture and Design, Intersect Studio, Grand Rapids

DEVELOPMENT

“Framing Fundraising as Ministry”

Presenter: Sarah Sobel - Gift planning officer at the Catholic Foundation of West Michigan

MISSION EFFECTIVENESS

“Looking to the Saints to Support the Mission of our Schools and Other Best Practices”

Presenter: Abby Giroux