



**SAC Meeting 9/15/2025**  
**6:00-7:30 PM Location: Library**

**School Mission:** Our Catholic family inspires disciples of Jesus by educating the whole person through prayer, high academic standards, and service to others.

**Present:** Gerene Thom, Sarah Baye, Melissa Ferm, Amber Bassindale, Amanda Bantle, Leah Cramer, Melanie Kmiecik, Amanda McGown, Betsy Bianchi, Amy Muenster, Sarah Bal, Chaz Miller, Gareth Baur, Michael Du Pont, Alexis Anderson

**Principal's Report:** Mrs. Thom

- Faith
  - The walking club has started again. Students walk together each morning until the bell rings, and then we gather together in prayer before beginning our day
  - Teachers working on monthly lessons on the Rosary
  - Art projects have been focused on The Big 3 of SJB (Love God, Love Others, Love Yourself)
  - Queen of Peace Prayer Group beginning soon- watch the newsletter for information
- Family
  - Many parents have been helping to keep the art room clean, organized, and ready to go for our subs! Thank you to those many volunteers!
  - Blessfest was a big success - lots of school families were present!
- Academics
  - STAR data is coming in; teachers can use this data to inform their instruction
  - Teachers are learning into Math; it is a step up from our last curriculum, so there is a transition period that is stretching our students and our teachers, but we are all learning together!
  - Supportive Consultant and Reading Specialist on board this year- this has been a blessing, and we are very thankful for their extra knowledge and skill with our students!
- Other News
  - Looking for an Art Teacher

**Teacher Update:** Sarah Bal/Sarah Peterson

- Echoed much of what Mrs. Thom shared in her Principal's report

**Treasury Report:** Eric Guzowski

- No Report; too early for GRACE reporting
- \$96,000 goal remains the same - no change



#### Fundraising/Current Events

- Fall Harvest – looking forward to the event; the website is live and will be shared in the newsletter this coming week!
- Magazine Sale is set, and those will appear
- Auction; starting earlier to lighten the load; The Price is Right is the theme.
- Paper Drive dates are on the calendar

#### Hospitality: Amanda and Amber Bassindale

- Hy-Vee will do a one-time donation of 10 dozen; will use them for the middle school parent day
- Looking into Festival and Kwik Trip for donations as well

#### Marketing Report: Ashley Nelson

- Marketing is quiet, Fall Harvest handles their own flyers so no new marketing projects at this time

#### Booster Update & Packer Booth: Rana Chrudimsky and Melissa Farr (handing off to Teal Calaway)

- No Update/none present

#### Board of Trustees: Eric Guzowski

- Discussed facility updates across GRACE at their last meeting; many buildings had renovations over the summer!
- Annual Appeal Kicks Off this weekend; information will be mailed to families

#### Finance Council

- No update yet from Blessfest; they anticipate successful news!

#### New Business Items

- Mrs. Thom is looking at getting planter barricades in front of our main doors and office
- Amy Muenster proposed a new way to support teachers; this effort will be timed with Thanksgiving and details will be discussed at upcoming meetings
- School Supply Fundraiser; Leah Cramer will look into companies/options/etc. For next year

**Next meeting is October 20th, 6-7:30 pm in the School Library.  
See you there!**