

Total Education Board Agenda

August 12, 2025

6pm

Present: Jessica Dembinski, Liz Block, Julie Tabor, Maureen Moseman, Emily Krebs, Diana Tribulato, Chris Nelson, Patrick Flanery, Sarah Grubb, Sarah Smith, Brian McGarry, Cheryl Erker, Kelly Corey, Erin Griesman, Brendan Flanagan, Katie O'Neal, Becky Sluyter

OPEN SESSION

1. Call meeting to order: Jessica Dembinski
 - a. Opening Prayer: Chris Nelson

Updates:

- a. Meeting Dates for 2024-2025

- i. August 12, September 9, October 14, November 11, January 13, February 10, March 10, April 14, May 12
- ii. Board members are allowed two absences a year

- a. Meeting minutes

- i. Previously: Minutes posted after meeting, but approved the following month
- ii. Updated: Meeting minutes will be emailed within 48hrs of meeting to board members. Two members will motion to approve by "replying all". Then, minutes will be posted on the website.

2. Presidents Report (Jessica Dembinski)

- a. Fall Festival

- i. Our team will donate 120 two liters of soda for the Pop Toss
 1. Jessica will share venmo to get this purchased

- b. Board Subcommittees

- i. Will meet monthly for the last 10-15 minutes of our board meetings
- ii. Groups for 2025- 2026 School Year
 1. Reed Academy: Julie Tabor, Sarah Grubb, Liz Block
 2. Youth Ministry: Brian McGarry, Erin Griesman, Kelly Corey
 3. Religious Education: Brendan Flanagan, Becky Sluyter, Sara Smith
 4. School: Diana Tribulato, Emily Krebs, Jessica Dembinski

3. Religious Education Committee Report (Cheryl Erker)

Family Religious Education (FRE) Program: The 7 Sacraments

- Starts in September

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New business:

- Scholarships:
 - Rich & Jaci Majorek Family- Msgr. Cupich Scholarship
 - Brock Hanssen-Fr. Don Shane Scholarship
 - Tuition Scholarships
 - 6 families in need-10 students
 - Anonymous donation to cover
- Securing One Heart One Fire & Pro-Sanctity for Confirmation retreat-price increase (Was \$10 and increased to \$25)
- Teachers for the year
 - Stephie Gillespie- 8th
 - Rosie Gazda- 7th
 - Cecelia Fuller- NEW 5th /6th
 - Sherry Holst- 3rd-4th
 - Lezlie Peterson- 2nd
 - Susan Vonderfecht- NEW CTK helper
 - Kathy Coniglio- 1st
 - open- RCIC
- Enrollment (As of Aug. 12)
 - Registration is still open
 - 50 families, 70 Religious Ed students
 - 20 home school families, 35 students

Old business:

- Registration open for 2025-2026 school year
- Calendar available online
- Confirmation date TBD
- Rel Ed team hosted Wake Family Dinners for The Petersons & The Vazquez Families

4. Youth Group Report (Lauren Mohatt)

5. 5 Day School Report (Chris Nelson)

Enrollment

Class	# of Students	Status
PS	18 in AM 0 in PM	Full No Class
PK	16 in AM 16 in PM	Full Full
K	53	1-3 open spots

1	55	5 open spots
2	55	5 open spots
3	47	13 open spots
4	60	Full
5	61	Full
6	55	5 open spots
7	60	Full
8	58	Full
Total Enrolled	554/585	94% full

Staffing Changes

- 2nd grade: Jennifer Gabrielson
- 3rd grade: Deb Brown
- LC: Jill Talmon
- MS: Dan Charron (7&8 Language Arts)
- PE: Dan Bartels (in October)
- A host of new Teacher Assistants

Changes for 25-26

- Drop-Off Changes- come inside at 7:45
- Cycle Days Update- assists with curriculum being more consistent (ex. Students won't miss the same special on each Monday or Friday off of school)
- 84-90 minute reading blocks taught by ONE teacher
- Small Group reading- will take place in all grades
- New Mass Schedule- 8:15am on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- More formal work on PLCs for staff- Meeting one time per week. Using data to drive instruction.
- Planning a math review this year (new curriculum in 26-27)

Accreditation Update

Our school profile is 95% complete. This contains demographic data, testing data, perceptual survey results, our school improvement goals and progress. It's a general picture of our school. When it is done, it will be posted on our website and updated annually.

Next step: Send it to the TEB 5-day School Committee (Jessica, Emily, and Diana)
Visit Dates: March 24, 25

PD Plan for 25-26

Our survey data from 24-25 showed the need to:

- *Increase student engagement by building instructional strategies
 - 1.5 specific PD days to help teachers build their toolkits
 - .5 coaching day from the presenter to give specific feedback
- *Increase communication with parents about student learning
 - K-3 will add SeeSaw this year
 - Grades 4-8 classroom newsletters and Google Classroom

*Make our discipline practices more consistent

- Building-wide PD on updated discipline plan outlined in handbook
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Playground Survey

- 59 respondents; 46% of them visited the playground weekly
- 75% thought the playground needed updates—equipment(60%) and improved safety(66%) were the highest priorities
- Of those who responded.....
- 76% would support a fundraising campaign
- 65% of people would donate \$1-\$200
- 14% would donate \$200-\$500
- 5% would donate \$500-\$1000
- 7% would donate \$1000-\$5000
- Comments: Parents want to know overall fundraising priorities long-term, some volunteered to sit on the committee, they want more options, there were questions about who might use it, etc.
- Teachers currently don't allow students to play on the higher tower because injuries occurred.
- Need around 180k for a new playground.
 - Can use some of the current structure with the new
 - Pictures included in survey are not the final playground choices, but ways to brainstorm ideas
- Survey will be shared with school families again with school back in session
 - Reed Academy families will also take the survey
- Will have a playground committee

Updates:

- A fence has already been added behind playground structure
 - New lockers have been installed
 - A beautiful mural, "Reading through the Ages", has begun in the library
 - In memory of Mary Jo Coffey
6. Reed Early Learning Center Report (Katie O'Neal)
- a. Enrollment is at full capacity
 - b. Goals with Director Katie O'Neal have previously focused on culture and academics/ lesson planning
 - i. 2025-2026 Focus
 1. Bible Education: lessons, stories of heroes of the faith
 2. Mentoring
 - c. Reed Academy was recognized by Sheltering Tree as "Employer of the Year"!
 - i. An amazing accomplishment within the Omaha community

7. Home and School Report (Angela Cutler)
 - a. Will connect with new Home and School President
8. Parish Council Report ()
 - a. A designated representative from Parish Council is being established
9. Pastor's Report (Rev. Ryan Lewis)
10. Parish Festival Update (Maureen Moseman)
 - a. September 14
 - i. Mass at noon
 - ii. The festival is 1-6 p.m.
 - b. Bingo, Music, Beer Garden, Games, Inflatables & Activities
 - i. Fr. Lewis will conduct Bingo and the Meat Wheel this year
 - ii. Live Polka Music, 4-5p.m.
 - c. Thank you to the Total Education Board for volunteering (Maureen will send QR code) and for donating the two liters for the Pop Toss
11. Guest Speakers- none
12. Closing Prayer: Jessica Dembinski