

OLMC Board Meeting
July 1, 2020

In attendance: Deborah Farrington, Beth Keelan, Jen Buzzone, Joe Rakow, Adam Plumpton, Elizabeth Garcia, Christina Mungia, Eric McClennon, Alexandra Matei, Brandy Navarro, Risa Jarboe, Mia Fetisoff

- Dr. Farrington and Jen Buzzone reviewed the plan for reopening.
 - Each class will be divided into two spaces, the existing classroom and one other room on the school campus. This will allow students to remain in smaller pods.
 - The classroom teacher and aide would each take one of the rooms for half a day and then swap. The teacher would instruct in person in the classroom she/he is in and over Zoom in the other room.
 - There will be staggered arrivals and temperature checks each morning. Masks will be required.
 - Volunteers will be able to help with this.
 - Currently all grades could be accommodated 5 days a week except for 7th and 8th graders who would have partial weeks online and partial weeks in person. These grades were selected because they are more able to manage independently.
 - Some concern was expressed that 7th and 8th grade are important years because these students need to be prepared to transition well to high school
- The school is being allowed to use the small and large halls for classroom spaces
 - The Parish Council was not willing to let the school use the Parish conference rooms
 - Portables are cost prohibitive
 - Tents did not seem like a viable long term solution
 - The board felt that it would be appropriate to circle back to the council to ask them to reconsider if enough families expressed plans to have their children return to in-person school and space prevented all students from being accommodated.
- School now needs to distribute school's plan to families and ask families to confirm whether their child(en) will attend in-person or virtual learning.
 - Once a family confirms, Jen mentioned that they would need to commit to a specific amount of time to that plan (at least one semester) since we cannot have students coming in and out each day.
 - Eric will create a form that asks family to confirm plans
- School continues to face financial challenges
 - PPP loans will help with this shortfall. Diocese wants to plan for this as a loan just in case it is not forgiven.
 - Fundraising will be needed to help with some of the tools needed to ensure the school is safe: water bottle fillers, carpet for large and small halls, etc.

- Erin agreed to draft fundraising letter. Elizabeth will review and offer feedback
 - Make sure to encourage families to take advantage of employer matching programs