

St. Lawrence School Advisory Board Minutes
February 5, 2026

Present: Brenda Anderson, Ted Hendricks, Kelly Peters, Barry Whipkey, Father Tom Hartman, Paul Dhaemers, and Jackie Loeschke
Absent: Emily Bjordahl

The opening prayer was recited and the meeting was called to order by Ted Hendricks.

There was a motion to approve the minutes from September 2025 by Jackie Loeschke and seconded by Paul Dhaemers.

Principal's Report:

Preschool for the 2026-2027 school year has 18 students registered for the 3-year-old group and there are 36 students enrolled for 4-year-old-preschool. There is projected to be 19-22 Kindergarteners next year and 5-7 6th graders. There are several other families interested in learning more about the school.

The catholic schools in our diocese are working together to purchase new NWEA testing. St. Lawrence will begin using this for the 2026-2027 school year.

The Catholic United Raffle drawing will be held March 12. The students have a goal of raising \$15,000 and have met the first tier to that goal.

Mardi Gras games and pancake feed are scheduled for Sunday, February 8th.

Parent teacher conferences are scheduled for February 9th and 11th. The spring conferences are only held if teacher and/or parent requests to have one. The teachers would like that to change for the 2026-2027 school year. For the next school year, fall conferences will be on an as needed basis and the spring conferences will be mandatory.

The St. Lawrence Gala is scheduled for April 10th with a Disco Theme. Co-chairs are Nicole Brehmer and Betsy Van Lith. It will be held at the Speedway Event Center.

The school is following guidance from the Department of Health for measles.

Old Business:

There have been several donations to the Endowment, with the total now at \$516,621. Marne is drafting a new letter to be sent out to continue the support for the endowment.

New Business:

No new business.

The next meeting is set for March 10th at 5:30 pm.

The closing prayer was said and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Peters