

OLS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
October 9, 2024
5:00 PM
Church Conference Room
MINUTES

Our Lady of Sorrows is a three-year-old through 8th grade school serving the Ladysmith community and surrounding areas since 1912. In cooperation with parents, parish, and community members, Our Lady of Sorrows School will provide a high quality educational setting in which children can grow academically, socially, physically, and spiritually. We strive to develop a better understanding of the Catholic faith within each student, as we prepare them to be confident, responsible, contributing members of the parish and community. We believe in nurturing and encouraging each student to realize his or her potential. Our Lady of Sorrows is open to families of all faiths, whereas one family, we will answer the call to know, love, and serve God.

- I. **Opening Prayer:** *Fr. Papi opened the meeting in prayer. Those in attendance were Dave Elliott, Fr. Papi Yeruva, Jaimie Wilk, Bob Lecheler, and Crystal Mogensen.*

- II. **Approval of August Minutes:** *The minutes of the August 22, 2024, meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Jaimie and seconded by Crystal to approve the minutes. The motion passed.*

- III. **Action Items**
 - a. Other – *A Conflict of Interest form was distributed to board member, who signed and returned for the file.*

- IV. **Old Business**
 - a. School Finance: *An updated financial report will be sent to board members. It will include scholarships and tuition assistance donations.*

 - b. School Report: *Dave provided a handout on school activities. MAP testing will take place shortly. It will also happen in the winter and spring. Kathy Zuck will train the 4K-6 Grade teachers on best reading instructions which is aligned with the Wonders Reading Program. She will be paid through Title II Funds. A brief calendar of upcoming events was shared. A donation was given to purchase 12 ukuleles for the music program. Eight WIFI access points were donated. The School District of Ladysmith donated 12 Chromebooks. \$210 were donated to allow students to attend the movie, The Wild Robot, at the Miner Theatre. The Ladysmith Knights of Columbus Council 2481 pledged \$25,000 in matching funds for donations to pay down the HVAC system loan. Enrollment is 83 students. Plans are underway to establish a fundraising committee. Two people have expressed interest in taking on the committee. Isabel Dekrey has been hired as a teacher's aide to teach music to 3K-4 grades. Work is taking place on*

the WRISA self-study. Staff will meet every other Thursday to work on the action items. A motion was made by Crystal and seconded by Jaimie to approve the school report. The motion passed.

- c. Tuition Payments: *Option C will be studied to determine if it can account for tuition payments and scholarships.*
- d. Fundraising: *A committee will be formed to take on all fundraising activities.*

V. New Business

- a. Staffing: *Dave shared that he will be retiring at the end of the school year. He will assist with the transition to a new administrator.*

VI. Closing Prayer: *Fr. Papi provided the closing prayer.*

VII. Adjourn (Next Meeting) *The next meeting will be December 11, 2024, 5:00 p.m., in the OLS Church conference room.*

*Respectfully submitted,
Bob Lecheler*