October 5th, 2026, SAC Meeting Minutes

SCHOOL MISSION

St. John the Baptist Catholic School prepares children for life's journey by interweaving a first-rate academic education with the reinforcement of solid Catholic core values and teachings. St. John the Baptist School students are not only equipped for the journey but are a light for others as well. May we always see a symbol of our growing faith in God and may St. John the Baptist continue to intercede on our behalf.

"We will grow in the knowledge of the Catholic Faith, strive for personal and academic excellence, and serve God and others."

VISION STATEMENT: Our vision for St. John the Baptist and St. Thomas Aquinas is to encourage, support, and promote the transformation of our parishioners to Disciples of Jesus Christ who boldly proclaim Him through their lives.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT: Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the Earth. O God, who has taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that in the same Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

1. Meeting was called to order at **6:02 pm**
2. Prayer
3. Attendees: Amy Nelson, Jeff Jens, Laurel Sartori, Dan Freres, Natalie Nonnemacher, Laura Ubbelohde-Korff, Dick Brisson, Andrea Pavlik
4. Call SAC Meeting to Order
5. Acceptance of Agenda
    a. Dan Freres
    b. Jeff Jens

    Acceptance of September Minutes
    c. Natalie Nonnemacher
    d. Jeff Jens
6. St. John the Baptist Principal's Report - Amy Nelson
    a. Marketing - Communications: hiring for this role is ongoing.
    b. Principal school reports are completed. Amy is sitting on the accreditation team for Shepard of the Hills.
    c. MAPS and Forward Testing:
        i. SJB performed well on MAPS and Forward Testing last school year.
        ii. SJB's overall rating is exceeds expectations

iii. School report card places us at 4 stars for 2025-2026.
    1. 2024-2025 Report Card is linked https://apps6.dpi.wi.gov/reportcards/Download?reportCardId=49158&hash=2313049 from the DPI website: https://apps6.dpi.wi.gov/reportcards?SelectedSchoolYear=2025&SelectedCity=Plymouth&SelectedPrivateSchool=001935
iv. MAPS is done in the fall, winters and spring, and when needed for those that need additional evaluation.MAPS testing helps to guide instruction. Both MAPs and WI Forward helps teachers map out curriculum to meet criteria and any gaps.
v. Forward is done in the spring. Forward results show continued strength in science and social studies. Math continues to improve in the grades. Forward results will release in the fall and be compared across local schools. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/forward/data

d. Conferences: Have been going well. SAC members suggested that middle school consider lengthening conferences by 5 to 10 min. longer.
e. VIP mass attendance: Was strong and well received.

2. Committee & Ad hoc Reports
    a. Marketing:
        i. Communications/Marketing role position being offered to a candidate soon.
    b. Technology:
        i. Grant for Catholic Foundation is being pursued. Over $100k raised over the past few years mainly in the area of technology.

    f. Home and School:
        i. Trunk or treat is out and getting people signed up to have a trunk
            1. Voting for best trunk and pumpkin for grade to raise funds for technology or the teacher wish lists.
        ii. Fundraisers are set for butter braids around November to deliver in December. Cookie dough will be in the spring.

    g. Golf Outing 4th Annual

i. 46 golfers participated
ii. Despite the heavy rain, had the ability to use the golf carts.
iii. Net profit: $19,150
iv. Parish stack worked well
v. Looking for 2027 fall date for a 5th Annual
vi. Fundraising to offset costs of tickets for the golfing and food was discussed.

h. Auction
    i. Solicitation letters are being sorted and hope to get them out for April 24th event
    ii. Raffle tickets are around $35k in profit in past years. These were not offered in the 2026 Auction.

i. Parent ambassador families
    Still out helping connect with families
    i.

j. Parents night out with Sophie Vanic
    i. Hope to have in fall and spring with assistance of the Student Council

k. Santa shop
    i. December 10 & 11 will be the shop dates.

l. Pastoral Council
    i. Financial report: It was shared in church and the school enrollment increase was received well.
    ii. Trivia night or some social activity to increase parish participation.

m. Volleyball pack the gym night
    i. 5pm Thursday
    ii. Offer fill the gym for Basketball in the future

n. Music
    i. No band offered due to lack of participation
    ii. Choir continues to go well.

iii. Amy will look into piano player for concerts vs using a computer and speaker for sound.