

Saint Michael Catholic School

School Advisory Board Membership

Nominees for the St. Michael School Advisory Board should consider the following characteristics of an effective, contributing board member as they consider entering into the discernment process.

Personal:

- ❖ Willingness to devote necessary amount of time to serve effectively.
- ❖ Ability to attend monthly meetings on the 2nd Thursday of the month.
- ❖ Ability to attend board functions throughout the school year.
- ❖ Additional service on various sub-committees.
- ❖ Serve with the highest level of honesty, integrity and prudence.
- ❖ Demonstrate a broad perspective with an appreciation for the interest of the entire school community.
- ❖ Ability to act without bias toward faculty and other employees of the school.
- ❖ An inquiring mind, open to the multiple sides of any issue.
- ❖ The courage to face unpleasant tasks and decisions.
- ❖ Ability to serve objectively and free from personal, financial or operational interest in the school.
- ❖ Willingness to disclose existing or potential conflicts of interest.
- ❖ Be a credible witness of the Catholic Faith to the school and beyond (in the case of those who are not Roman Catholic, the presumption is that the person is not opposed to the tenets of the Catholic faith).

Professional:

- ❖ Commitment of service to the school, parish and civic community.
- ❖ Willingness to learn while preparing for and serving as a board member, i.e. attend periodic in-service programs.

Board:

- ❖ Support the mission of St. Michael Parish and School.
- ❖ Support the teachings of the church on education and directives of the Archdiocesan Schools Office.
- ❖ A willingness to exercise the delegated authority and control for conducting the business of the school.
- ❖ An appreciation for maintenance of confidentiality in matters pertaining to the board, the school and congregation.
- ❖ A willingness to support board decisions even if he/she does not fully agree.

Section 1. Members.

- a) Members of St. Michael School Advisory Board shall be the pastor (ex officio), principal, assistant principal and nine (9) members. Two members may be from the Parish at large. Two members may be appointed by the board and one appointed by the Parish Council as its liaison. Remaining membership will be chosen through a process of spiritual Discernment.
- b) The recording secretary shall be a volunteer position appointed by the administrator to record minutes.

Section 2. Each lay member shall serve a term of three years and a maximum of two terms.

Section 3. Members are guided by:

- a) The Baptismal call to service
- b) Gospel vision of building up the Body of Christ
- c) The Vatican Council II and code of Canon Law adhering to concepts of collaboration and subsidiary.
- d) Missions of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis and the Church of St. Michael.