Guardian Angels Central Catholic

School Board Meeting Minutes — DRAFT

October 21, 2026 — 6:30 p.m. | Rectory

Called to order by: David Karnopp, acting Board Chair (Britney Kaup absent).

Opening Prayer: Fr. Greg Carl

Roll Call

Present: Fr. James Weeder, Tina Biteghe Bi Ndong, Ben Borgmann, Tyson Dinslage (arrived after roll call), Kylie Dirkschneider, David Karnopp, Angi Klitz, Eric Klitz.

Absent: Allyn Knobbe, Britney Kaup.

Approval of Minutes

Tina made a motion to approve the September 16, 2026 School Board meeting minutes as written. Kylie seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Booster Club — No report.

SPA — No formal report.

Facilities Committee — Tyson Dinslage

• Water and poor soil conditions at the proposed maintenance building site have significantly increased the estimated cost of site leveling and preparation, from approximately $20,000–$25,000 to potentially near $100,000.

• The committee is evaluating an engineered base and drainage approach. Cost-saving options include using crushed concrete in place of rock (estimated savings of $15,000) and seeking donated fill dirt (potential savings of approximately $8,000).

• Tyson is obtaining a written excavation proposal and comparing contractors and methods. Once final costs and options are known, he will send the information to the Board. The goal remains to complete site preparation this fall if feasible.

• Tyson plans to relocate/set the greenhouse so the lot is available for construction work.

Finance Committee — Allyn Knobbe

• The Finance Committee did not meet.

Governance Committee — Kylie Dirkschneider

• No report.

Development/Capital Campaign Committee — Tina Biteghe Bi Ndong

• New donations have been received, and ongoing bulletin communications are helping maintain visibility for the campaign. Volunteer donor visits and assignments are beginning.

• A committee and volunteer roundtable is scheduled for November 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria to discuss donor feedback and commonly asked questions.

• The capital campaign letter from Fr. Weeder and Fr. Carl is ready for printing and distribution. Sue is coordinating printing and payments, and Terry Ridder is assembling donor folders.

• A campaign promotional video, including school interviews and planned parent interviews, is in production; its cost is covered.

Principals' Reports

High School — Matt Jansen

• Homecoming activities were well received, including the return of the dance to the school gym and renewed student spirit. Matt recognized staff and student leaders for organizing the events.

• Congressman Flood visited with the American government class and complimented students on their questions and preparation.

• Staff participated in faith-centered professional development with the Sophia Institute. The school also held a Eucharistic procession, completed high school retreats, and administered the PSAT to juniors.

• Matt reported that Linda Doernemann plans to leave at the end of the school year to teach closer to home. Fr. Carl asked that a plan be developed to recognize and thank her for 16 years of service.

• First Community Bank donated a 16-foot enclosed trailer for school use.

Elementary School — Joyce Stalp

• Parent-teacher conferences had approximately 96% family participation.

• Beginning in November, students will pray a Rosary for seminarian and GACC alumnus Caleb Ridder as part of a focus on vocations. Faculty and staff are also praying together weekly for the search for a new leader.

• Boys Town social-skills instruction continues, with current lessons emphasizing accepting feedback and accepting assistance. Families are encouraged to reinforce the skills at home.

• The October 9 professional-development day included Magnetic Literacy work and a review of student data. SPA-supported activities and after-school enrichment offerings have drawn strong participation.

President's Report — Fr. Greg Carl

• Fr. Carl reviewed Articles 3, 4, and 5 of the school bylaws as part of continued Board formation. Discussion focused on the Board's role in mission, values, and long-range goals and the president's role in developing and implementing plans.

• Fr. Carl and the principals have begun reviewing the existing strategic plan to identify completed, in-progress, and outstanding priorities, including Catholic identity, school operations, communication, and academic excellence.

• Fr. Carl will provide a more detailed strategic plan status report at the November meeting. The Board discussed whether revisions may be appropriate and the value of communicating school progress and achievements to families and the broader community.

New Business

Continue Board Formation

• The Board continued its discussion of planning and governance responsibilities under the bylaws. Additional areas of operational authority will be reviewed at future meetings.

Continue Elementary Principal Search

• Fr. Carl and Board representatives met with Dr. Anita Mehsling to review the search process and timeline. The goal is to advertise the position by November 1, close applications around December 1, hold interviews in January, and make an offer by February.

• Advertising will include Teach Nebraska, parish communications, and additional online channels. Dr. Mehsling will coordinate applications and initial screening.

• A search committee of approximately six to eight members, including Board and school representatives, is being assembled. Fr. Carl will provide the committee roster to Dr. Mehsling and circulate the search timeline to the Board.

Executive Session

Per the recommendation of the Archdiocese of Omaha's Office of Catholic Schools, the Board moved into Executive Session to discuss confidential matters for the protection of the public interest or to prevent needless injury to a person's reputation.

Closing Prayer: Fr. James Weeder

Adjournment:

Tina made a motion to adjourn. Tyson seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting: November 18, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Klitz

Secretary