


Purpose: Ascension School Board	President: Sean Murphy	Secretary: Kristin Jansen
	Meeting Date: February 28, 2018	

The **Vision** of the Ascension staff is to foster a Catholic community that models Jesus' teaching at home, school and in our community. We strive to ensure an academic program of excellence, which challenges each student to achieve his/her maximum potential. Our goal is to expand student involvement in global issues, technology, foreign language, and cultural programs.

Living Faith	We achieve through sustained prayer and faith-filled interaction with each other that marks us as Ascension.
Embracing Community	We achieve through active participation in service to our parish, neighborhood, metro areas and global community.
Encouraging Opportunity	We achieve through activities, whether in traditional or community classroom, to enhance ways in which students learn so they can continue to be life-long learners.
Respecting Giftedness	We achieve by providing a level of instruction to challenge students to extend beyond the basics to maximize their potential in their areas of strength.
Celebrating Excellence	We achieve through recognition of student accomplishments and alumni that say, "Well done!"

In Attendance: Terry Mullaney, Sean Murphy, Kristin Jansen, Emily Brown, Helen Walter, Stacie Hartlage, Jenni Gohmann, Lynn Thompson, Jason Steurer, Jason Lewis, Matt Henson

	Topic	Presenter	Discussion, Assignment and Responsibilities	Follow-Up
	Approval of Minutes	Sean Murphy	Via email	

Living Faith	Opening Prayer	Sean Murphy	Prayer led by Sean Murphy	
Encouraging Opportunity	Shadowing/ Enrollment	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed increasing number of students scheduled to shadow in upcoming weeks • Discussed increasing number of families enrolling for 2018-2019 school year • Discussed success of January open house 	
Embracing Community	Middle School	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Middle school teachers utilize apple classroom application • Parents will be notified that middle school students' email access will be removed from iPads to avoid potential distraction 	
Embracing Community	Building Bridges Between School and Church	Sean Murphy Matt Henson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Dinner Night: pizza will be provided Saturday, March 17th following 4:00 Mass 	

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing: Continue to provide opportunities built around activities to encourage and maintain attendance at Mass 	
Celebrating Excellence	Terra Nova Testing	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students in grades K, 1, 2, 3 5 and 7 will begin testing Monday, March 5th 	
	Next Meeting	Sean Murphy	Wednesday, March 21st, 2018 @ 6:00 PM	

Mission: As a vital ministry of the Church of the Ascension, our school's mission is to recognize the uniqueness of all students in a caring, disciplined environment that exemplifies Christ's command to serve one another. Ascension School fosters excellence in academics and promotes spiritual, intellectual, emotional, and physical growth of the whole child.

The faculty, supported by the parish staff, School Board, and Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), recognizes that students must be prepared to meet challenges of an ever-changing world and to live cooperatively as critical thinkers and problem solvers in a global society. Love of GOD, human dignity, justice, ecumenism, service to others, stewardship, and excellence are among the values lived.