


Purpose: Ascension School Board	President: Sean Murphy	Secretary: Kristin Jansen
	Meeting Date: September 19, 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, Haley Jenks, Helen Walter, Stacie Hartlage, Jenni Gohmann, Natalie Ising, John Amback, Juli Evers, Matt Henson, Greg Benner

	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	
Embracing Community	Building Bridges: Faculty PGP's	Terry Mullaney Sean Murphy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers' 2018-2019 Professional Growth Plans (PGP) include involving parishioners in the classroom • Discussed additional ways to include parishioners • Reflected upon September 16th Sandwich Sunday • Discussed improvement in communication and planning via use of sign-up genius 	
Encouraging Opportunity	Open House	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday, October 23rd • 9:00am – 6:00p • Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) will be present to provide information and accept applications • Board members will be in attendance • Discussed social media, banners and signs to advertise 	

	Parent Portal & Email	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed new requirement for parents to register and be approved in an effort to improve safety and security of school and students • Addressed parent concerns, discussed suggestions and improvements currently being implemented • Parents encouraged to visit Parent Portal daily 	
	Café	Terry Mullaney Matt Henson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed café being aligned with Ascension as 21st century school • Discussed continued farm-to-table, made-from-scratch offerings • Discussed improvements to lunch menu and additional options available • Increased participation in lunch program has been noted this year 	

	Middle School Religion & Science	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All students are encouraged to participate in lunch program• Discussed ways to further participation• Family members encouraged to join students for lunch<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Guests asked to notify office by 10am to allow café team to prepare accordingly• Lunch With Someone Special during Book Fair: Oct. 1st-3rd• Homemade, <i>KY Proud</i> menu items will correlate with select books daily• Guests asked to purchase \$4 lunch ticket in office prior to allow café team to prepare accordingly• Discussed cost & participation for breakfast offered daily• Ms. Sullivan will continue teaching religion & Mr. Vowels will begin teaching science during remainder of Mrs.	
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			Brown's maternity leave	
Celebrating Excellence	Blue Ribbon School of Excellence	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ascension will begin application process for Blue Ribbon School of Excellence this fall 	
	Next Meeting	Sean Murphy	Wednesday, October 17th, 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.