


Purpose: Ascension School Board	President: Natalie Ising	Secretary: Abby Simon
	Meeting Date: September 7, 2021	

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: Fr. Adam, Terry Mullaney, Natalie Ising, Abby Simon, Darla Radcliff, Helen Walter, Steve Watts, Kristen Jansen, Greg Benner, Olivia Ludlum, Shelly Urquart, Bryan Back

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

Living Faith	Opening Prayer	Fr. Adam	Prayer led by Fr. Adam	
Encouraging Opportunity	Welcome and Introductions	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● New board members introduced 	
	Secretary	Abby Simon		
	COVID	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Quarantined students determined by Health Department ● Parent discretion advised in keeping students/siblings home when sick ● No parent/doctors note required for returning to school from sick day 	
	MAP Testing	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students and faculty met outside for a pep rally to begin MAP testing ● Testing begins first week of September ● Student motivated by bouncy obstacle course and longer recess during testing 	

	PTS Conferences	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conferences will be held virtually October 4-7 	
	Open House	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October 26, 2021 from 3:30-6:30 for prospective families 	
	News from the board		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion held regarding student service hours- hours still required, parents be creative • Window update- glass is in, waiting on framing • Benner making ventilation fans for each classroom to help with COVID 	

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.