

Bosco System Board Meeting

October 14, 2008

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President Tim Horrigan at 6:35pm.

Present: Tim Horrigan, Matt Hovey, Sheri Purdy, Curt Frost, Father Stecher, Robyn Johnson, Father Colter, Julie Niemeyer, Tammy Bedard, Larry Delagardelle, Erik Smith, Sue Davis and Scott Reiter.

Absent: Carl Corkery, Kelli Even and Father Blake were excused.

I. Prayer:

Sue Davis led prayer.

II. Board In-Service:

A. Board Gram reviewed and discussion ensued regarding Laity Leadership. There is a Study Leadership Day in Cedar Falls at the Pipac Center on Oct. 28th and the public is encouraged to attend. Both Erik Smith and Julie Niemeyer will be attending. Other resources regarding Laity Leadership include internet sites (archdiocese etc.) as well as our newly formed Youth Group. On a large scale it is difficult to approach and appeal to our youth, but the Youth Group is doing a great job.

B. Archdiocesan Policy Review # 4110-4119.6 this series is regarding personnel policies.

III. Recommended Actions/Reports:

A. Larry Delagardelle made motion to approve minutes dated September 9, 2008. Scott Reiter seconded and motion carried.

B. Sue Davis made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by Sheri Purdy and motion carried.

C. Julie Niemeyer provided a brief description of a STO Liaison of the Bosco System, it is recommended by the Archdiocese that a liaison from each school help increase the knowledge of the STO and help to get the word out. In addition they will work alongside the STO Director of the Archdiocese (Jamie Henley) and keep the School Board abreast of the goals for the STO each year. A goal of \$3.8 million is set for the '09-'10 school year. It was suggested to post the job description in the church bulleting looking for a volunteer. Other names of past school board members and school/church finance committee members. Currently the Bosco System offers \$75 a day for substitute teachers. The CVS and Waterloo Schools have recently increased their pay \$95 and \$110 respectively. In order to stay competitive with them and be able to get subs we need to consider increasing our daily pay. Discussion followed regarding the budget and difficulty getting subs. Larry Delagardelle made a motion to increase sub pay to \$95 per day effective immediately. Curt Frost seconded and the motion carried.

D. Reports:

1. Mission and Religion – no report

2. Facilities and Transportation – no report

3. Finance and Personnel – no report.

4. Curriculum – no report. Kelli Even to schedule meeting yet. Iowa Health Systems has hired an Outreach Coordinator and she would like to be included in the upcoming meeting. Tim Horrigan will get name and number to Kelli Even.

5. Student Services – no report

6. Development – no report

7. SIAC – Report submitted – no action items.

8. Visioning – Report submitted – no action items.

9. Administration – reports submitted by Julie Niemeyer and Erik Smith

Reports of subcommittees are due prior to meeting each month. Deadlines are posted on back of current month's minutes. Members of committees will have opportunity to discuss at board meetings only if written report is included.

IV. Old Business:

A. Erik Smith is working on writing up the Activity Director job description. He is looking at descriptions to those within our conference as a reference. Feedback on Jane Becker and Kim Rottinghaus has been favorable. Very respectable of each other and seems to be running smoothly.

B. The new building project is moving along – unfortunately there is no timeline. However progress is being made. The initial group of volunteers is tweaking the preliminary plans based on suggestions from the community. They will be addressing the Archdiocese Building Commission on 10/31/08. It was agreed that a professional fundraising company be brought in and there is a meeting on 10/22/08 with Paul Frummel to get recommendations from the Archdiocese. Finally the administrators are working with Jim Osterburger with the space usage of the building and what is best in terms of the Bosco System.

V. New Business:

A. An enrollment history study is being performed by the Archdiocese of Dubuque. The data is used to study trends/patters and information for future planning. Julie Niemeyer provided board members an enrollment review sheet for the Bosco System from 1997-98 through to 2008-09. Questions were provided in the Archdiocese study and will be reviewed at next month's board meeting.

VI. Information/Communications/Delegations:

On October 13, 2008 the Bosco System had a presentation on learning disabilities. Samantha Abeel and her mother spoke to 44 parents about her struggles and how to cope. They also spoke to the faculty of the Bosco System. Samantha has written many books on how to look for your strengths. "The 13th Winner" is a book the all faculty received.

Tim Horrigan sat in on a booster club meeting and learned that they want to be an advocate for the extracurricular activities at all levels of the Bosco System. The PTO has always been an advocate for the teachers and not so much at the extracurricular level. Julie Niemeyer will advise the PTO members and suggest a meeting with the booster club.

VII. Future Business:

Enrollment Study

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 11, 2008 Don Bosco Library @ 6:30 pm. Prayer leader Kelli Even.

VIII. Future Business:

Sheri Purdy made motion to adjourn and seconded by Curt Frost. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Bedard