Bosco System Catholic School Board Minutes for April 13, 2011

Roll Call: Present: Tim Horrigan, Julie Niemeyer, Jessica Ortner, Larry Delagardelle, Scott Reiter, Christine Rolf, Jamie McMahon, Sue Davis, Blaine Rhoades, Eric Eckerman, Stephanie Thoma; Excused absent: Curt Frost, Fr Huber, Fr Stecher Absent: Jerry Steimel, Father Blake

Visitors: Jeff Keen, Heidi Rottink, Dave Sunstedt, Cynthia Bell, Stephanie Gardner, Jane Becker

Opening Prayer was led by Sue.

Board In-Service: The April Leader Board Gram was discussed.

Recommended Actions

* Jamie moved to approve the March minutes with Scott seconding the motion. Motion carried.
* Christine moved to accept the agenda with Sue seconding the motion. Motion carried.
* Motion was made by Scott Reiter at 6:48 to go into Executive Session; seconded by Blaine R. Faculty representatives were allowed to address the Board during the Executive Session. At 8:01 Scott R. made the motion to leave executive session, seconded by Jessica Ortner. Motion carried.
* Blaine then made the following motion A) The board eliminates the position of Media Specialist for the high school as it currently exists; B) the board directs Eric to develop a half-time technology coordinator position; C) the board directs Julie to consider Jane Becker for the available half-time position of Middle School Religion. Motion seconded by Larry. Motion carried by consensus.
* Receipt of two letters of resignation were acknowledged. The first one was from Cory Carlson who has accepted a position teaching at Durant School in Sumner next year. The second letter was from Julie Niemeyer indicating her decision not to return to the Bosco System in 2011-2012. The board accepted these notices and wished the individuals well.
* The vacant lot adjacent to the property on which Don Bosco high school is located was discussed. Having the lot will make for better access to the new parking lot created when St. Mary’s Hall is torn down. This South access will also allow the band easier access to loading instruments, etc. and for safer access to the school. Jean Etringer has done the investigating and negotiating to purchase the lot. She has arranged a purchase price of $16,000. Since IC parish owns the ground for the Bosco system the discussion was about having IC parish purchase the lot with funds from Bosco System. The motion was made by Jamie to approve the transfer of funds from the Building a New Legacy campaign. Seconded by Scott. Motion carried. IC will own the ground, but Bosco System will pay for it and maintain the parking lot once it is built.
* The question of putting a bus barn in the new parking lot was discussed. This was not on the list of things needed to be purchase/repaired for the Building a New Legacy campaign. The parking lot was on the list. At this time there are no plans for building/paying for a bus barn in the new parking lot.

Reports

The reports were written. In the principals report was the consideration of allowing a batting cage to be installed at no cost in the new building gym. There must be a tarp or indoor/outdoor carpet underneath it at all times. It can be used during Open Gym or scheduled times with supervision. The consensus was to proceed with placement of the batting cage in the new gym. The Graduation Mass will be in IC church with the Graduation Commencement ceremony in the new gym.

Old Business:

1. The building project expenses are $3 million so far. This includes $85K in change orders, which is very reasonable considering the size of the project. Jeff Keen projects that $3.275 will be collected. Remodeling of bathrooms and locker rooms in Don Bosco, St. Mary’s demolition and the construction of the parking lot still need to be done. These are scheduled for this summer.
2. The discussion about how to go about auctioning off the miscellaneous things left in St. Mary Hall. It is being left to the Building Committee to decide these.
3. The Annual Fund Plan was briefly discussed. A written proposal was distributed at the March meeting.

New Business:

* The Booster Club would like a member of the board to attend. Jeff volunteered as did Blaine.
* Parish elections for school board members are to be held May 13.
* ITBS/ITED results – Gr. 3-8 results and analysis were included in packets. Due to the lateness of the hour Board members were asked to review that written report. Eric reported that ITED results would be coming in May.

Information/Communication – Jeff Keen asked if Board minutes could be posted on the school website shortly after the meeting each month – without waiting for official board approval. Julie advised that board minutes do need to go through the approval process, but a Board Meeting Summary could be posted. This summary report is already being sent to parish councils shortly after each month’s board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

The next Bosco System School Board meeting will be held May 12, 2011 at 6:30 PM in the Bosco School Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Delagardelle