

## **Bosco System School Board minutes April 9, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 6:15pm.

The Opening Prayer was lead by Jessica Ortner

### **Role Call - Present:**

Fr. Henry Huber, Barry Thome, Christine Rolf, Adam Delagardelle, Hope Huff, Jamie McMahon, Stacy McMahon, Gary Murphy, Jessica Ortner, Karen Paulsen, Tim Steimel, Katy Sweeney

**Staff:** Rick Blackwell, 9-12 Principal, Sharon Mayer K-8 Prinicpal, Peggy Zumbach, Business Manager

### **Excused:**

**Absent:** Fr. Ray Atwood, Mary Lynch

**Visitors:** Stephanie Peters, Ann Schmitz, Jane Becker, Jeff Frost, David Sundstedt, Kathy Sundtstedt, Randy Stewart, Heidi Rottink, Hanna Corbin, Ken Tovar, Kerry Merrifield, Helen Hellman, Cynthia Bell, Colby Yoder, Blaine Rhoads, Tom Hogan, Tina Hogan, Tera Weber, Stephanie Schulte, Dani Weber, Amber Childers

### **April Leader's Gram**

**Technology Committee Presentation:** Stephanie Peters, Jane Becker, Ann Schmitz, Heidi Rottink, Jeff Frost presented the results of their visits to area schools that are 1:1. Columbus Catholic is using iPads and believes they are working very well. Cedar Falls uses Chrome Books and report a lot of issues such as: they are Cloud based with no files, only Google Drive, can not use Pages, etc. Dike New Hartford use both PC and Mac Book. North Tama uses Keynote tablets but would like to go to Apple. "Changing systems will hurt students." The plan is to go 1:1 for grades 6-12. Katy Sweeney questioned if there would be an option to purchase the devise after 3-4 years. DB is using Microsoft IT Academy. Mrs. Bell wants to make sure the new devises will support the program she uses for chemistry. Several teachers will attend the 1:1 Institute on April 10, 2014 in Des Moines.

**Mr. Blackwell explained how the Board meeting would run.**

### **Action Items:**

- Motion to approve March Board Meeting Minutes with the correction to Jessica Ortner not Julie made by Jamie McMahon; seconded by Stacy McMahon. All agreed. Motion carried.
- Motion to approve April Agenda with the amendment of moving Executive Session after Approval of Agenda and adding Early Retirement to agenda under New Business made by Jessica Ortner, seconded by Jamie McMahon. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Executive Session – Time in: 7:02pm Time out: 8:46pm.**

### **Reports:**

Mission and Religion: See report from 3/20/2014.

Facilities and Transportation: No meeting, no report.

Finance and Personnel: No report from April 9 meeting. Peggy Zumbach reported the Finance Committee approved the budget as the BOE did. The Finance Committee would like to see specifics before money is spent. They discussed the hiring of a Development Director. See balance statement – "ugly utility bills".

Curriculum: No meeting, no report.

Student Services: No meeting, no report.

Development: No report. Will meet after Strategic Plan Presentations.

School Improvement Advisory Committee (SIAC): No report. Will meet April 14.

SCRIP: See March report handed out at meeting. New volunteers are doing great. Kim Rottinghaus is still working with them.

Hot Lunch financials: See report. The lunch program has had several repairs. Will make software payment of \$1500. Will need to replace the computer at St. Joseph.

Administration: See reports.

Mr. Blackwell requested ad hoc committees for Dress Code and Sunday/Wednesday policy. Mr. Blackwell will email parents to join one of the ad hoc committees. Board members on the Dress Code committee are: Katy Sweeney, Jamie McMahon, and Stacy McMahon, if no parents volunteer each board member on the ad hoc

committee will recruit a parent volunteer. BOE members on the Sunday/Wednesday Policy committee are: Father Huber, Barry Thome, and Adam Delagardelle. Carol Berry will join the committee as a parent. Mr. Blackwell handed out 28 pages of IA Assessment and MAP reports. Local news Channel 7 came to BOE meeting regarding staff reductions. They were unable to film because board was going into executive session. Mr. Blackwell gave them a statement.  
Booster Club: See March meeting minutes. Karen Paulsen reported the irrigation system for the baseball field needs to be discussed.  
PTO: No report. Next meeting May 7.

**Old Business:**

Board Action due to reductions: Motion was made by Adam Delagardelle, seconded by Jamie McMahon, for the board to accept the recommendations for staff reduction to include David Sundstedt, Helen Hellman, Ken Tovar, Kathy Millett, and Tracie Hovden as presented by the administration. Motion was made by Christine Rolf, seconded by Hope Huff, for the board to accept the non-renewal of contract for Kerrie Merrifield due to lack of needed teaching endorsements. . Nine agreed. Two opposed. Motion carried.  
Finance Committee Rep to replace Larry: Tabled to May meeting.

**New Business:**

Wednesday/Sunday Policy: Request to form ad hoc committee.  
High School IA Assessment Results: Mr. Blackwell handed out report.  
2014-2015 BCSS Calendar: See draft calendar. Motion to approve 2014-2015 BCSS yearly calendar made by Christine Rolf, seconded by Hope Huff. All agreed. Motion carried.  
BCSS by-laws to be added to binder: Pages 27-32 needs to go in by-laws binder.  
Development Director Position: Strategic Committee updated job description. See job description. Advertisement for the position will be on the website, in the WCF Courier, Citizen Herald, and the Witness.  
Board Elections: See roster. Up for reelection - Katy Sweeney. Not up for reelection - Jamie McMahon and Barry Theme.  
Dress Code: Will form ad hoc committee.  
Early Retirement: David Sundstedt, Helen Hellman, Kathy Millett will take early retirement. Motion to accept early retirement made by Jamie McMahon, seconded by Gary Murphy. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Information/Communications**: Will elect new Board President in May or June.  
Mr. Blackwell reported about the Mock Accident.

Next Meeting Wednesday, May 14, 2014 6:00pm SMC gym

Closing Prayer by Father Huber

Adjourned at 9:27

Respectfully submitted by,

Carol Berry  
Recording Secretary