

School Board Minutes for September 9, 2010.

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Horrigan.

Introductions were used for roll call: Present: Tim Horrigan, Scott Reiter, Larry Delagardelle, Sue Davis, Jamie McMahan, Julie Niemeyer, Blaine Rhoades, Jessica Ortner, Curt Frost, Jerry Steimel, Father Huber

Absent: Father Blake, Father Stecher, Stephanie Thoma,

Excused: Christine Rolf

Visitors: Jeff Keen, Ken Tovar, Teacher and Leta Schmitt, Bookkeeper

Tim led us in prayer.

The September Board Gram was discussed. Julie commented that she liked that 3.5% of the students said that the Parish was not meeting their needs. That is a pretty low percent. It was also mentioned that the safety in place for protecting our children should be more given more media attention as it has always been in place. Public schools should be aware of our guide lines.

Motion made by Jamie and seconded by Blaine to approve the August minutes. Motion carried. The minutes were placed on file

The agenda was amended to include an item from Jamie under New Business about a speaker for the high school. Sue made the motion to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

Reports: The reports were either written or the committee had not met as of this date.

The Investment Committee is scheduled to meet on September 17 at 7:00AM outside Eric's office.

- Julie mentioned that 97% of the parents at IC attended the orientation sessions. This is great.
- Kim Huff is doing a tremendous job so far with the cooperation of the rest of the staff. This is so good to hear.
- There are 25-30 students on the student council with 2 elected from each class to attend the meetings and the rest help with the physical labor.
- The weight room should be completed in two more weeks. Eric brought up for discussion having several cookie dough sale to fund the equipment in the weight/fitness room. The equipment might cost as much as \$6,000 to \$16,000 depending on how much equipment is purchased. The consensus of the board was to have Jeff look into donors and not add any new sales for the students.

Old Business:

- The schedule for the new building of ahead of the target date. John Huff hopes to see it open by Christmas. The questions was asked as to who will keep the schedule for the new gym and cafeteria. Carol Berry has volunteered to keep this and the key codes to it. The first priority to schedule will be the Athletic Directors and coaches. A volunteer has agreed to pay for the smart keys for the new building at a cost of about \$2000 a door. It was discussed about getting these for the Don Bosco main doors (2). Jeff Keen will look into finding a donor.
- The playground equipment for St. Joe's was discussed and it should be in place by the end of the school year. The position of the equipment is left in the hands of the ST Joe's Parish

Council and the requirements for pre-k.

New business:

- The principal reports about the enrollment were explained and discussed. Hopefully there will be four students from the eighth grade class in Independence coming to Bosco next year.
- The enrollment for the high school was explained - six students left the system - 1 to West High, 2 to East, 1 to Hudson, 1 dropped out of school completely. 2 of these students would have been held back a year.
- The APR Goals were explained and the information is in the principal's report. We are waiting to see how the added emphasis for each class will aid with the results of their standardized tests.
- The letter proposed for the Gilbertville police was presented, Eric told the board that he has made a request that the police person make himself more visible especially as school dismisses around the plaza to no avail. This led to a discussion on how to better make the point with the high school and maybe 8<sup>th</sup> grade students that drinking at their ages is not only illegal but can lead to major problems with drunk driving. It was suggested that speakers who have been through this situation would help. Also a mock accident might be awakening in their eyes. Maybe the coaches need to bring this more to their athletes - make it a priority that no one drinks and plays. Also make this a Parent awareness.
- The bus contract concerns were turned over to the Facilities and Transportation Committee.
- Review of the Archdiocesan Catholic School Board Policies was brought up to remind everyone that they are there to be followed. It was suggested that a link to these can be put on the web site.

The next meeting of the Bosco System Scholl Board will be on October 14, 2010 at 6:30 in the Library.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jackie Delagardelle  
Recording Secretary