

Bosco System Board of Education  
December 12, 2011  
Don Bosco High School Library

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Scott Reiter

Present: Scott Reiter, Stephanie Thoma, Christine Rolf, Jessica Ortner, Hope Huff, Barry Thome, Jamie McMahan, Sue Davis, Tim Horrigan, Larry Delagardelle, Fr. Henry Huber, Fr. Stecher

Absent: Jerry Steimel (excused), Fr. Blake

Staff: Sharon Mayer, Eric Eckerman, Jeff Keen

Guests: Mrs. Jane Becker, Mr. Dean Rigdon, students Megan McFadden, Mindy Rottinghaus

- I. Opening prayer was led by Tim Horrigan
- II. In Service Board Leaders Gram – follow up from recent Youth Group travel to Indianapolis for National Catholic Youth Congress. Bosco System sent over 60 representatives. All reports are positive, and excitement is already building in the current 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders who will be eligible to travel for the next Congress in 2 years. Kudos to Mrs. Kim Huff, campus minister, for all her efforts in building the community support and student interest.
- III. Recommended actions/reports
  - a. Motion to accept minutes of October 18 with typographic corrections, by T Horrigan seconded by L Delagardelle, passed
  - b. Motion to approve agenda with invitation to move Mr. Rigdon's presentation to action item 1, and Mrs. Becker's presentation to action item 2, by J McMahan, seconded by C Rolf, passed.
  - c. Action Items:
    1. Report by Mr. Rigdon and biology students regarding water runoff mitigation project at Bosco campus. Board approval given to proceed with first stage of process along the south sidewalk outside high school, and to continue toward seeing funding or grants for further stages which may include further landscaping, roof gardens, etc.
    2. Report by Mrs. Becker regarding decision by high school football coaches to proceed with transition to 8-man football. This will allow the best player development and program continuity with like sized and nearby current rivals. Home field permission at current Sloane Wallace Stadium has not been given by Waterloo Public Schools for relining the field, Board representative B. Thome will join a work group to review playing site options.
- IV. Reports:
  - a. Missions and Religion – no meeting
  - b. Facilities and Transport – no meeting
  - c. Finance and Personnel – verbal report accepted. Archdiocesan audit went well, with formal report pending. See Old Business regarding follow up of technology plan.
  - d. Curriculum – no meeting

- e. Student Services – no meeting
- f. Development – see Old Business
- g. SIAC – no meeting
- h. Administration reports –
  - K-8 – accepted, congratulations regarding recent Lego competition success (first year)
  - High School – accepted, WiFi update within facilities will proceed within current budget.
  - Negotiations with current technology support Premier (Jesup) successful completion of work.

V. Old Business:

- a. Technology update:
  - The board heard from the Finance Committee that the plan to rebuild the technology foundation discussed last month (estimated cost of \$187,000) was reasonable to be initially financed from the long term savings account locally and commonly known as the ‘Courbut’ account (recorded at the Archdiocesan Saving and Loan as account 7069 ‘Don Bosco Activity Account’) assuming there is a full accounting of the Building A New Legacy plan of payment of the loan advances and a successful budget development, both expected within the next two months. The board reviewed a draft plan of full implementation over 4 years, with a rolling replacement program financed by technology fees.
- b. Preschool Update – working committee has been formed. Target approval for Archdiocesan in December 2012 to start a program in 2013. The first step is to survey the local community regarding overall interest.
- c. Wednesday Night gym rental – letter received from a group of concerned Bosco System parents regarding the current policy. After extensive discussion of the goals of promoting religious education and family activities while allowing appropriate community use, the policy is affirmed and clarified by consensus (motion made by T. Horrigan, second by L. Delagardelle) to be:
  - a. Bosco System facilities are not available for rental activities after 6 pm on Wednesdays

VI. New Business:

- a. Review of Archdiocesan Catholic Board Policies #5000 series – completed
- b. Scrip program changes regarding limiting places of sales due to requirements of necessary audits – approved

Motion to adjourn by J. McMahon, second by L. Delagardelle. Approved

Meeting was adjourned. Next meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2012.

Respectfully submitted  
Tim Horrigan