

Provisional
Scotus Central Catholic Board of Education
Minutes of Board Meeting
2/18/2010

Jeff Hall called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. Members present were: Fr. Del Lape, Fr. Joe Miksch, Fr. Tom Weisbecker, Todd Duren, Jeff Hall, Tim Harrington, Rex Kumpf, Pat Sackett, Donna Starzec and Marie Zach. Rick Haney arrived at 5:45 p.m. and Sandy Swope arrived at 5:55 p.m. Administrators present were: Wayne Morfeld, president, Gary Puetz, activities director and John Schueth, development director. The meeting opened with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Fr. Joe moved and Donna Starzec seconded a motion to approve the meeting agenda without changes and the motion carried. The January 19, 2010 meeting minutes were approved as read. Tim Harrington moved and Todd Duren seconded a motion to excuse Pat Sackett from the meeting and the motion carried.

HANDOUTS 1) January issue of the *Rock Bottom* student newspaper, 2) copied news story from the *Midlands Business Journal* about Jeff Herdzina '94 and his business in Omaha.

VISITOR RECOGNITION/CORRESPONDENCE Jane Dusel-Misfeldt was present representing STO and she announced that the Scotus blood drive is on March 2nd and board members are invited to participate.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. Puetz reported that we are now in sub district action in girl's basketball and boy's sub districts begin next week. The spring musical runs Friday through Sunday and State swimming is on Feb. 26-27. Spring sports practice will start on March 1. John had no additions to his printed report, and Wayne added to his report that the Archdiocesan Committee for Development meeting will be held at Scotus on September 8, 2010 beginning at 5:00 p.m. The meeting will bring approximately 100 leaders in the Archdiocese to Scotus and the featured speaker is Archbishop Lucas.

OLD BUSINESS

- No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

- Faculty Compensation. Mr. Morfeld recommended that the board approve a base salary of \$26,240 and an addition of \$100 to the health benefit for the 2010-11 contract period, representing a 4.96% increase and keeping the Scotus base at 91.75% of the Lakeview HS base (\$28,600.) He noted that this proposal does not close the real dollar gap between the two schools as provided in the board's long-term goals. Rick Haney noted that the salary gap must be addressed to keep Scotus competitive for new teachers—especially with some Scotus faculty retirements coming in the near future. Fr. Joe moved and Donna Starzec seconded a motion to approve the new base salary of \$26,240 plus \$100 benefit and the motion carried.
- Tuition. Mr. Morfeld proposed an increase in 2010-11 tuition of \$85 representing an increase of 4%. He noted that this along with a 3% increase in parish tuition assistance support and a projected enrollment increase would support the budget needs. Todd Duren moved and Donna Starzec seconded a motion to increase tuition by \$85 and the motion carried.
- Calendar. Mr. Morfeld presented the proposed 2010-11 calendar showing the first full day of school on August 17 and a new Columbus three-high school joint faculty in-service on January 26 sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce (with a goal to enhance the connection between business and education.) Tim Harrington moved and Rick Haney seconded a motion to approve the calendar and the motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Finance Committee. Donna Starzec reviewed the reports for January. The cafeteria ended the month with projected monthly and year-to-date revenue slightly below budgeted levels due to a growing number of parents opting to pay monthly for lunch tickets instead of a entire semester at one time. Income is up in Nebraska reimbursements due to a larger number of families receiving free and reduced meals. Monthly and year-to-date cafeteria expenses were \$21,838 below projections due in large part to lower than expected charges from Roberts Dairy and some equipment purchases that have not been made yet.
Year-to-date general fund revenue was \$25,869 above budget—primarily due to a larger than expected disbursement of endowment income from OAEF. General fund expenses through January were \$22,876 below the year-to-date budget and continue to be helped by lower than budgeted gas and electric expenses.
- Facilities Committee. Mr. Morfeld proposed that Scotus accept a bid from Columbus Door & Window in the amount of \$39,009 for the replacement of windows beginning June 1 in the classrooms of Mr. Younger, Mr. Salyard, Mrs. Tooley, the band room and the student activities offices (Mr. Puetz, Mrs. Hash and coaches' office.) Rick Haney moved and Todd Duren seconded a motion to approve the bid and the motion carried.
- Policy Committee. Mr. Morfeld presented a proposal from the committee originated by the Student Council to phase in the replacement of skirts in the dress code with skorts. The proposal is phased in to allow local businesses to sell out their current skirt inventory and to allow families to use already purchased skirts for a reasonable amount of time. Fr. Joe moved and Sandy Swope seconded a motion to approve the replacement of skirts with skorts in the dress code effective August 1 of 2013. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Fr. Joe moved and Tim Harrington seconded a motion to go into executive session. The motion carried and the board moved into executive session at 6:12 p.m. At 7:00 p.m. Fr. Joe moved and Rick Haney seconded a motion to move out of executive session and the motion carried. Rick Haney moved and Todd Duren seconded a motion to approve all professional and administrative contracts including the hiring of Peg Morfeld at 5/9's time to fill a position opening created by the retirement of Barb Malicky. The motion carried. It was noted that Mrs. Malicky has served Scotus Central Catholic for 35 years.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

- The next board meeting is set for Thursday, March 18, 2010 beginning at the regular time of 6:30 p.m. (finance committee meeting at 6:00 p.m.)
- Agenda items will include: a discussion on wrestling and the Bid A Bag fundraiser.

ROUNDTABLE Round table announcements were made.

Fr. Joe moved and Marie Zach seconded a motion to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
John Schueth