

**SMCS Board of Trustees' Meeting**  
Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - 6:15 p.m.

**Present:** Kristen Bergstrom, William Bittner, David DeWitt, Helen Englebert, Kathleen Healy-Osland, Phil Kerwin, Fr. Robert Kollath, Mary Krueger, Steve Pable, Natalie Ripley, Brian Rosiejka, Ron Schreier, Paul Seveska, Ron Steffens and Lori Vegso.

**Guests:** Patrick Batey, Kelly Beisenstein-Weiss, Dick Bergstrom, John Bergstrom, Jamie Frank,

**Absent/Excused:** Fr. Dennis Bergsbaken, Dan Engelhard, Terry Jack, Kim Massey, Fr. Paul Paider

Meeting Began at 6:15 p.m.

No one asked to speak at open forum for School Choice

**Opening Prayer:** Mr. Kerwin led the group in opening prayer.

**Mission Statement and School Vision:**

Mission Statement: "Preparing and inspiring students to lead meaningful lives, rooted in the teachings of Christ and our Catholic tradition."

School Vision "To be celebrated as the school system where students discover and develop their God-given talents and experience success through learning, faith and service."

**School Choice:**

School Choice documents for St Johns and Holy Spirit circulated to be signed by the Board. St. Mary Catholic School System will sponsor them to join the program. The details were discussed at the November Board of Trustees Meeting

**New Athletic Facility:**

Mr. Dick Bergstrom spoke about plans for a dual use turf soccer/football field with an eight lane track to go around it. Construction will begin in March and is targeted to be completed by August 1<sup>st</sup> in time for the Fall Athletic Season. The facility is being fully funded by the donors.

**Consent Agenda:** The following items were circulated prior to the meeting and were included in the consent agenda.

- Minutes of 11-20-19 Board of Trustees Meeting
- Finance Committee Minutes 12-13-19
- Catholic Identity Committee Minutes 12-2019
- December Strategic Dashboard Update – 12/16/2019
- Athletic Committee December Monthly Report

Motion to approve by Mr. Seveska. Motion seconded by Mr. Schreier. Motion passed unanimously.

### **President's Report:**

Ms. Englebert discussed the following items from the President's Report.

- A proposed calendar was presented for approval. Motion to approve by Mr. Seveska. Motion seconded by Mr. Schreier. Motion passed unanimously.
- Staffing was discussed
- Ms. Vegso asked if Campus Minister is full time in budget for next year. They have that as a goal but the budget is not quite final or balanced yet.
- First draft of budget will be presented at Board meeting in January.
- There was a discussion about making Campus Minister a full time position being a top priority. There was general agreement to this by the Board.
- Affordable High School Grant information sent out to feeding parishes. Mixed results. They would not give us a list of addresses of 8<sup>th</sup> grade families but they did give us a list of names. Discussion followed about parish privacy concerns.

### **New Business**

- Mr. Bittner gave us an update on changes in Zephyrfest. May 2<sup>nd</sup>, Fox Exposition Center. Zephyrfest is going to have its own stand-alone branded theme. There will be a format change. 10 live auction items. Increase in premium silent auction items. It will utilize SMCS resources at the event. It will move more to sponsorships. There will be five levels of sponsorship from \$25000 to \$1000. Already received \$176,000 in pledges. Formal requests for sponsorship will go out in January.
- Ms. Englebert talked about Annual Fund. \$70,000 plus as of today. Goal is 100% participation by the Board of Trustees
- Thank you for the breakfast for the staff. Kudos Steve Pable. Let's do it once a semester.
- Talked about using Disciples on the Way document in our committee planning and task forces. Father Kollath suggested we take a portion of the document and discuss each meeting

At 7:15 p.m. Mr. Seveska made a motion to move into executive session. Motion was seconded by Mr. Schreier. Motion unanimously approved.

### **Executive Session Begun: 7:20 p.m.**

Dave Dewitt arrived during Executive Session

Mr. Seveska made a motion to exit executive session. Motion was seconded by Mr. Schreier. Motion unanimously approved.

### **Executive Session Ended: 8:52 p.m.**

**End of Meeting:** Mr. Seveska motioned to adjourn meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Schreier. Motion unanimously approved. Meeting Adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Phillip Kerwin

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