

SMCS Board of Trustees – Meeting Minutes

Meeting held June 22, 2022

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

Attendance:

Present: Daniel McKenna, Phil Kerwin, William Bittner, Leila Mousai, Steve Pable, Lori Vegso, Ron Schreier, Paul Seveska, Ron Steffen, Terry Jack

Missing: Bryan Rosiejka, Dr. David DeWitt, Fr. Dennis Bergsbaken, Fr. Jude Egbuna, Fr. Bob Kollath,

BOT MEETING START TIME: 6:00 PM

Opening Prayer: Phil Kerwin

MOTION

- Ron Steffen moved to allow the June meeting of the SMCS Board of Trustees to be conducted both in person and via video conference and teleconference, notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary contained in the Constitution or any By-Laws.
- Second by Ron Schrier
- Call to vote – unanimous
- Motion carried.

CONSENT RESOLUTION

MOTION

- Ron Steffen moved to accept the May BOT meeting minutes
- Second by Ron Schrier
- Call to vote – unanimous
- Motion carried

OPEN FORUM

- No open forum

SUPERINTENDANT REPORT

- Enrollment at about 980
 - About 5 or 6 foreign exchange students
 - Current enrollment status is trending toward meeting our budget
 - Enrollment numbers are good
 - Working to get better at reporting student numbers
- Hiring numbers going well also
 - Counseling positions available
 - 5 teaching positions available, but looking good
 - More people in place

- Very good teachers
- Big difference from last year
- Dave Dietrick (Director of Business Services) here last week for Executive Committee meeting
 - Kristin Bergstrom is still helping and getting Dave up to speed
 - Working on getting finances organized
 - Doing well
 - Pleasant person
- Dan spoke to Phil on technology spending
 - SMCS may be pulling back on technology
 - What should we look like in 5 – 10 years
 - Looking to put a plan in place, instead of current owners' direction
 - A committee has been put together to come up with a plan
 - Part of the technology plan will be to update the school's doors
 - Phone system does not work as well either and may be part of the update
 - School should be providing for the parishes as well
 - Parishes should get better technology from us
 - Need to be part of one plan, instead of discussed separately
- Superintendent name should be changed back to President
 - 'President' name works better for a campus that is private and with multiple campus's
 - Conversation came up when Dan was hired, and the title remained as is
 - Ron Schrier feels 'Superintendent' is a better term for the position
 - Dan feels 'President' is better for private school and superintendent is for Dioceses positions
 - Dan feels 'President' is a better title for person looking for donations

MOTION

- Paul Seveska motions for Dan Mckenna's position title to be changed from Superintendent to President, starting July 1st.
- Second by Steve Pable
- Call to vote – Ron Schrier abstained
- Motion carried
- How to roll out the name?
 - Communication?
 - Soft Roll out?
 - Phil to work with Dan and Chelsea to come up with a roll out

Finance Committee report

- No updates

Strategic committee plan update

- Group made up of Steve Pable, Bryan Rosiejka, Leila Mousai and Lori Vegso
 - Having difficulty finding common time for the pastors

- First meeting was planned for June 10th
 - Had to be moved
 - Moved to June 23rd
- An agenda has been put together
 - Three pillars to remain intact and focus on strategies
 - Strategy focused versus tactics
 - Just an improvement over last year
 - Once thru first meeting will determined if there are more meetings
 - Week from tomorrow to review current plan
 - Strategic plan to be handed off to Dan by start of new school year
 - September meeting to approve strategic plan and charters
 - Each year will take less time
 - Any recommendations would go thru the governance committee

Old business

- No old business

New business

- Paul Seveska to present new board members
 - Packet with all the new members to review given last week

MOTION

- Paul motions Kristen Bergstrom, Megan Healy and Mary Krueger to be accepted as trustees for 3 years starting July
- Second by Ron Schrier
- Call to vote – unanimous
- Motion carried

- Executive committee members
 - Phil has done a great job as executive committee board chairman
 - Trying to rotate this position
 - For the coming year Phil will serve again as the executive committee board chairman
 - Phil mentions if he is in role, he will share the agenda moving forward
 - Would like to get Ron Schrier and Terry Jack to meetings
 - Leila Mousai as vice chair
 - William Bittner will serve as treasurer
 - Ron Steffen as secretary
 - July to June executive committee term

MOTION

- Paul motions the executive committee to be accepted as discussed for the next year starting July
- Second by Ron Schrier

- Call to vote – unanimous
- Motion carried

- Always on the lookout for good candidates in the future for trustee positions
- Discussion in September to keep Paul on the governance committee
- Phil would like to not have a July meeting
 - Ron Schrier agrees
 - Big thanks to Paul and Lori Vegso
 - So much progress attributed to their work
- Dan was asked how did exit meetings go for the elementary school principals
 - One was sick, so a little awkward without her input
 - Others have been very supportive
- Anna has been around a lot even though job has not officially started
 - Door county meeting to get in alignment

MOTION

- Ron Schrier moved to begin executive session
- Second by Steve Pable
- Call to vote – unanimous
- Motion carried

MOTION

- Ron Steffen moved to end the executive session
- Second by William Bittner
- Call to vote – unanimous
- Motion carried

MOTION

- Ron Steffen moved to end the BOT meeting
- Second by William Bittner
- Call to vote – unanimous
- Motion carried

Meeting ended at 7:51 PM