

CSGK BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 23, 2009

Attendees: *Pastors:* Msgr. Hazard, and Frs. Derda, Farrell, and Schmidt; *Lay Members:* S. Benoit, J. Biever, S. Bradshaw, K. VanderMolen; *LAC Reps:* S. Clark, J. Simonds, A. Wickham; *Principals:* T. Eastman, B. Reits, A. Zommers; *Staff:* R. Dykstra, J. Lincoln, and K. Weishaar

Call to order: 3:10pm

Opening Prayer: Fr. Farrell

Consent Agenda Items (Vote Required)*:

1. Agenda: October 23, 2009
2. Minutes: September 25, 2009 Meeting
3. Financial Statements
4. Principals Reports
5. Local Advisory Committee Reports
6. Committee Reports

Motion: Fr. Schmidt moves to approve Consent Agenda and VanderMolen seconds. Motion passed.

Report Discussion (highlights and questions):

- 1) Financial Review (Rich Dykstra)—report attached
 - a) The *Statement of Revenue and Expenses* and *General Operating Fund Statement* (both for the period ending September 30, 2009) were provided to the Board in advance of the meeting and accepted as part of Consent Agenda approval (see above).
 - b) VanderMolen indicated that the Finance Committee was still working on developing a policy regarding the use of prior years' fund balance for capital improvements and/or a capital reserve fund.
- 2) Hackett Catholic Central (Tim Eastman)—report reviewed
 - a) Eastman reported that the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has developed a curriculum framework, the *Doctrinal Elements of a Curriculum Framework for the Development of Catechetical Materials for Young People of High School Age*. (See <http://www.usccb.org/education/framework.pdf> for the document in its entirety.) From the Introduction, the Bishops noted, "The Christological centrality of this framework is designed to form the content of instruction as well as to be a vehicle for growth in one's relationship with the Lord so that each may come to know him and live according to the truth he has given to us.... As a framework, this document offers guidance to catechetical publishers in the creation of instructional material." This document is being reviewed with the other Catholic high schools in the Diocese as part of an overall assessment of the theology curriculum at Hackett Catholic Central.
- 3) St. Augustine Cathedral School (Andra Zommers)—report reviewed.
- 4) St. Monica School (Becky Reits)—report reviewed.

- 5) Local Advisory Committees (Steve Clark, J. Simonds, A. Wickham)—reports reviewed.
- 6) Enhancing Community Committee (S. Bradshaw)—report reviewed.
- 7) Advancement (J. Lincoln and K. Weishaar)—report reviewed.
 - a) Lincoln handed out copies of *The Irish Pride*, formerly *The Shamrock*, a magazine for alumni and friends of Gibbons Hall, St. Augustine, Msgr. O'Brien, and Hackett Catholic Central published twice a year. It is mailed to alumni and parents of alumni. This month, it will also be included in the parent packs for the elementary schools.
- 8) Tuition Policy Review Committee (VanderMolen)—report reviewed.
 - a) VanderMolen reported alternative tuition scale models are being investigated with the goal of increasing affordability and accessibility. Progress on this initiative will be presented to parents at the Annual Parent Meeting and Mid-Year Review scheduled for Monday, February 15, in HCC's cafeteria.
- 9) Joint Fundraising (New Business)—report reviewed.
 - a) Clark presented the minutes from a Joint Fundraising meeting held October 14 with attendees from all three CSGK schools. Weishaar commented on the need for consolidation and coordination of our fundraising efforts and the need to focus on the CSGK Annual Appeal.
 - b) *Motion: Fr. Farrell moved to create a Joint Fundraising Committee of the CSGK Board and Benoit seconded. Motion passed.* It was agreed that the committee chair or co-chairs (to be determined) work directly with the Advancement Director and that the committee will be comprised of members from each of the three schools. Bradshaw suggested that the chair(s) and members be individuals sensitive to the traditions of each school and the need to move forward in consolidating Advancement efforts as one system. The Board concurred and directed that such consideration be taken into account in forming the Committee.
- 10) *Motion: Benoit moved to adjourn and Bradshaw seconded. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 3:48pm*