

**HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL
Board of Directors**

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: 11/13/2017

Location: South Campus

CALL TO ORDER: Quorum Declaration – Called to order at 7:04 pm

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Present: Monsignor Mike Hrydziuszko ,Tony Haddad, Dave Stewart, Marko Belej, Robert Zehnder, Cheryl Garneau, Kevin Kavanaugh, Allan Kochanski, Brian Cherry, Sam Previti Paul Engel, Carla Vandercruyssen, Martha Ball, Jon Myers

Absent: Laura Benedict, Toni Rusch, Tony Gallo, Cynthia Coppin, Martha Ball

OPENING PRAYER: Sam Previti

RECITE MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Family Regional School provides a Catholic education fostering spiritual and religious formation, academic excellence, and service to others.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Secretary's Report – Dave Stewart

- Minutes of 10/9/2017 meeting distributed and approved, Tony motion, Lacey second

President's Report – Tony Haddad

- Tony stated that there had been considerable discussion recently with the financial council.

Treasurer's Report – Marko Belej

- Marko mentioned that the financial report indicated a timing offset (two weeks later this year) for the fall appeal and the golf outing proceeds for 2017 were about \$9 K or \$21 K under budget.

OTHER REPORTS:

• **Principal's Report – Jon Myers, Martha Ball, Carla Vandercruyssen**

- Mr. Myers mentioned that Parent/Teacher conferences had completed the week of November 6.
- Mr. Myers also mentioned the roll out of initiative to address mean behavior, and noted that class meetings would take place, and that parents needed to also support.
- Marko inquired about training for bus drivers, but Mr. Myers explained that since bus drivers were not HFRS employees, they would not be trained.
- Christmas outreach opportunities this year will include Gianna's house and Disaster Relief efforts for recent natural disasters.

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- **Pastor's Report – Monsignor Mike Hrydziuszko**
 - Mnsr. Mike stated that he and Mr. Myers had attended a meeting with the Archdiocese of Detroit (AOD). A major thrust of the meeting was to make catholic education available (affordable) to a greater number of students.
 - Schools were encouraged to align their strategic plan to the benchmarks established by the AOD, and Mr. Myers noted that he felt that HFRS was somewhat ‘ahead of the game’ in this regard.
 - The book *Unleashing the Gospel* was distributed to all board members with encouragement to read over the next few weeks.
 - The AOD is striving all of us to live our faith in a more visible manner.

- **Advancement Director Report – Jennifer Schmitz**
 - The fall appeal now has collected about \$59 K with a goal of \$85 K
 - The Gala is scheduled February 10 at Cherry Creek and sponsors, as well as acquisitions are needed for the event.
 - The spring raffle is planned to be sometime around April 14 in conjunction with an event sponsored by the Dad’s club. (Bob Zehnder suggested that raffle tickets be mailed to HFRS alumni to broaden the scope of potential revenues.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Athletics Advisory Commission - (Robert Zehnder and Lacey Salerno)

- Bob Zehnder reported that a meeting took place on October 20 at which the subject of the participation of Oakland Christian students in the HFRS football program was discussed at length.
- Bob confirmed that all appropriate guidelines (both CYO and HFRS) were followed. The comment was also made that several schools participate in “cross utilization” for CYO sports programs.
- Mr. Myers noted that a takeaway from this experience was that in the future, he may be more cautious in consenting to a similar request from another school to have their students participate on an HFRS sports team. He also noted that CYO publishes recommended team sizes, and that this should also be considered.
- There was a comment that since Oakland Christian already had teams in CYO, their permission for their students to play was already implied.
- The comment was made that the requirement for faith formation was not easily verifiable.
- Brian Cherry expressed his concern that although the Oakland Christian students paid to play on the HFRS teams, that if all costs were allocated on a per player basis, that HFRS may still effectively be subsidizing the outside players’ participation at HFRS.
- Kevin Kavanaugh mentioned that in reviewing the guidelines, there is a “catch all” provision that allows the AOD to approve schools like Oakland Christian to be allowed to play in CYO sanctioned sports. Any time a CYO member is asked to add students from another academic institution or an athletic team roster, the school may examine each request on a case-by-case basis.

Dad’s Club – (Brian Cherry and Robert Zehnder)

- Next meeting will be at the HUB for “Fowling” activity.

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- The Sunday “Hoops” activity continues.
- The HFRS Christmas float will feature a Vintage Christmas theme and will be worked on at the former K- Mart store parking lot at Rochester Road and Avon Road.

PTG - (Cynthia Coppin and Cheryl Garneau)

- The Christmas gift ship will take place in December and volunteers are needed to work at the shop.
- Some mention was made of the need for balls and jump ropes at the school but Carla Vandercruyssen indicated that PTG need not be burdened with this as the school could had funds with which to purchase these items as needed.

By-Laws Committee - (Cynthia Coppin and Cheryl Garneau)

- Cheryl stated that the review of the By-Laws was still in process.
- Allan mentioned that the subject of voting rights for parish representatives on the board (as opposed to elected at large members). It was not clear of the background on this, nor readily clear from verbiage in the By-Laws.
- Mnsr. Mike directed that parish representatives *would have same voting rights as elected board members* and that the By-Laws should be amended to more clearly reflect this right.

Fundraising Advisory Committee - (Marko Belej, Allan Kochanski, Laura Benedict and Brian Cherry)

- See Advancement Director Report
- Next meeting will be held Friday December 1 at 7:15.

Facilities Committee - (Tony Gallo, Kevin Kavanaugh and Paul Engel)

- Training is underway and approaching completion for the HVAC project for South Campus.
- Next meeting is planned for January 22, 2018.

Strategic Planning Committee - (Tony Haddad, Laura Benedict and Marko Belej)

- The next meeting will be scheduled soon.

Technology Committee - (Tony Haddad and Sam Previti)

- The comment was made that WiFi coverage at South Campus needs improved, and the possibility of a “hub” in each classroom was mentioned.
- The Chrome books are out of warranty and near the end of their useful life.
- The merits of Chrome Book vs. Surface Pro and/or other devices will be considered, with the potential of issuing devices on a One-to-one basis. This would require a more in depth discussion of financials to handle such an initiative.

VIP - (Toni Rusch and Dave Stewart)

- No report

Enrollment Committee

- Next meeting is scheduled for November 29.

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PARISH REPORTS:

St. Andrew – Paul Engel

- The holiday giving tree cards have been prepared for parishioners, with about 3600 cards totaling some \$100 K in gifts.
- The new building project made possible by the *Changing Lives Together* campaign will be a \$3-4 million project.

St. Mary of the Hills – Cheryl Garneau

- The holiday giving tree activity has started.
- A stewardship program has been announced to encourage more community involvement.
- An Advent Service will be held on December 10.

St. Irenaeus – Kevin Kavanaugh

- Residents of the South Oakland shelter will be staying at the social hall this week.
- The youth groups are selling poinsettias and wreaths as a fund raiser.
- There will be a canned goods drive on Sunday November 19.

St. John Fisher – Allan Kochanski

- No report.

Sacred Heart – Toni Rusch

- No report.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- None

ADJOURNMENT

- Tony Haddad motioned to adjourn, Allan 2nd the motion, all approved at 8:50 pm

Upcoming Meetings:

Monday December 11, 2017 at South Campus