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St. Patrick Monthly Meeting Report to Parish Leadership - DRAFT

Date: July 12, 2011 **Time:** 7:00 p.m. **Place:** St. Patrick School

Call meeting to order: Dan 7:02 p.m.

Opening Prayer: Sr. Marilou

Roll Call: Present: Gene Cunningham, Mike Hulme, John Demmer, Sr. Marilou Irons, Katie Anderson, Dan Corrigan, Diane Kremer **Absent: Fr. Ev**

Approval for last Month's minutes: Katie moved / Gene seconded to approve minutes

Called for motion to approve agenda: Katie moved / Gene seconded to approve the agenda with the following change/additions:

#5 - add info relating to exit interview information

#6 - summer hire information

Action(s) Approved at the Meeting:

1. Motion to not accept partnership with Cedar Falls Preschool program

Katie moved / Gene seconded - vote approved - unanimous

2. Motion to go into executive session 8:14 p.m. John motioned / Gene seconded

Motion to go out of executive session 8:47 John motioned / Mike seconded unanimous

3. Motion to rescind motion from June

John moved / Gene seconded - vote approved unanimous

4. Motion to waive fee due to serious miscommunication

Diane moved / Katie seconded - vote approved unanimous

5. Motion to review contract and create guidelines in deciding future waivers of fee regarding breaking contract

Mike moved / Gene seconded - vote approved unanimous

6. Approve the filling of marketing coordinator position for \$500/month with funds from general fundraising account - for 8 months

Mike moved / Katie seconded - vote approved unanimous

7. If 26 students register for kindergarten an additional teacher will be hired and associate position will be eliminated

John moved / Gene seconded - vote approved unanimous

*** items in bold are John Demmer's comments/additions**

Board Information/Discussion/Concern Items:

New Business

1. Mr. Brown from **CF schools** discussed CF Preschool program - received grant, plan to work with community preschools, **each preschool selected** must follow guidelines - must have **licensed Iowa Quality Preschool Program Standards (QPPS) teacher, 1:10 adult/student ratio, provide** 10 hrs. of **secular instruction each week** (cannot be religious in nature (**Clover Patch is 12 hrs / week**), **state will conduct** site visits to insure guidelines are being met, **Religious material in the room are OK (artwork, crucifix, holy pictures (saints, Easter, Christmas, etc) stated as OK (see below)**, Are we willing to do this? Currently have 23 afternoon registered - could have 15 additional with this program. Recent info is that CF program may not have the monies to include Clover Patch in the program, **separate/ segregated room for CF PS discussed and dismissed as undesirable, impractical**, Sr. Marilou to call Wendy S. at Cresco Notre Dame regarding specifics and what is accepted and not accepted as allowed under grant guidelines. Miss Bullis expressed her thoughts and concerns - **her understanding of what's accepted and not accepted as allowed under grant guidelines conflicts w/ Sister and Mr Brown understanding**. Pros and cons discussed:

Pros – Increase St Pat's exposure (marketing), PS enrollment and income

Cons – Increased cost (added staff) reduces net income, not many of the 15 PS students will go on to the K-8 @ St Pats, create risks / dilute Catholic aspects for the current Catholic Clover Patch program?, CSB concern about how prayer at start of the day, before meals or after school or events like Catholic Schools Week, Easter, Christmas would be accepted by the state, Teachers may feel they're "walking on eggshells" to meet state requirements, only takes one parent complaining about prayer, Christmas verses "holiday" celebration, etc to create a problem

Discussion on internet service at preschool -John to call Regena regarding info/cost.

3. (to be discussed before #2 in executive session)

4. Discussion of Kindergarten student / teacher ratio - Katie suggested considering eliminating associate position if a Teacher is added to maintain an acceptable student/teacher ratio to contain costs. 13:1 ratio makes sense for marketing to target Kindergarten expansion

2. Discussion regarding marketing position -currently reviewing \$500 a month -8 months -\$4000 total. Mike's proposal 1.) approve filling of marketing position to begin Aug/Sept 2.) marketing committee commits to raising funds to pay cost of marketing Dec. and could go longer 3.) school will provide funds initially 4.) further discussion in fall when see budget results of marketing position John discussing importance. of position being recognized as primarily marketing, fundraising is secondary; further discussing impact on enrollment numbers **and discuss crediting marketing with increased tuition income if new students are a direct result of marketing efforts.**

5. Exit interview process (Mike Hulme)

6. Summer hire info (Sr Marilou)

Committee Information Reports:

Legislation -All -No Report

Pastoral Council -Dan Corrigan-No Report

CSI Advisory Committee -Meeting dates: Oct. 11, 2011; Feb. 14, 2012; March 27, 2012, May 8, 2012 (Room 17, 4-5 pm); Diane Kremer-No Report

Finance -(4th Thursday monthly, 7pm school computer lab); John Demmer, Mike Hulme, Philip Bash-No Report

Maintenance -(Quarterly); Gene Cunningham-No Report

CVCS Rep -(Monthly); Katie Anderson-No Report

FFC -(3rd Monday of each month, 7pm Deery Library); Gene Cunningham-No Report

STO Liaison -Garth Cornish-No Report

Marketing Committee -Mike Hulme-No Report