

Minutes
Bethlehem School Board
January 19, 2010

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Bethlehem High School was held on the above date in the Sr. Mary Rachael Rooks Media Center at Bethlehem High School. Chairperson Chad McCoy called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and led the prayer.

Present: Chairperson McCoy, Vice Chair Jerri Riney, Bridgett Wilson, Bill Newcomb, Michelle Ball, Bill Huston, Principal Tom Hamilton, Steve Heil, Michelle Berger, Debbie Ray, Gwen Simpson and Patrick Conway

Absent: Rev. Bill Hammer, Phyliss Wilkins, Rev. Troy Overton, Mary Stuart Haydon, Rev. Chuck Walker

Visitors: None

The minutes from the October 20, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Bill Newcomb motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Debbie Ray seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Advancement Office Report

Tom Hamilton reported the Star of Bethlehem campaign was a success with thirty two new contributors. The Leadership Campaign will begin soon. Steve Heil reported income for the 2009 auction was significantly higher than in 2008.

Facility Report

Tom Hamilton reported the Rehearsal Hall is complete and the choir is using it. The dedication of the hall will be on Friday February 12th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. The St. Joe Prep Hall sign will be replaced in order to comply with the local sign ordinance. The school is currently taking bids for the replacement of the gym floor which will take place this summer.

Principal's Report: Tom Hamilton reported the following:

- Staffing – The Dean of Students position will not be replaced at this time. Luke Boly was hired part-time for technology consulting.
- Calendar and Events – Tom reviewed the up-coming activities. He noted the snow make-up days will be on Feb 12th and 15th. Freshman registration will be on Feb 18th.

- Curriculum & Instruction – The Standards and Assessment Committee is developing the 2010 Program of Studies. Underclass registrations will be the week of March 15th. Tom updated the Board on technology and professional development.
- Student Life – Incoming Freshmen numbers are promising with 88 students taking the placement test. Bethlehem will host the district basketball tournament this year.
- Enrollment – Reported enrollment at 299.

Finance Committee Report

Jerri Riney reviewed the December financial report. She stated budget work is underway. The budget and the 2010/11 tuition rate will be reviewed and approved the 1st week in March. Steve Heil will be working with the administration on the financial portion of the strategic plan. After the budgeted \$75,000 of Bingo proceeds are transferred to the general fund, the remaining amount can be used for technology or capital expenses. The committee is also working on the internal compliance review / audit which will be conducted this summer.

Executive Session

Bridgett Wilson motioned and Gwen Simpson seconded for the Board to go into Executive Session. At the completion of the session, Steve Heil motioned that the administration followed school policy. Gwen Simpson seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Strategic Planning Overview

A meeting is planned for Saturday March 13 with Laurie Garkovich. Several people from the community have been invited to discuss their perception of Bethlehem High School.

Other Business

The next school board meeting will be held on March 16, 2010 at 6 P.M.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM with a prayer led by Tom Hamilton.