



## Juan Diego Catholic High School Board December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Board Meeting Minutes

### Mission Statement

Juan Diego Catholic High School is engaged in a partnership of parents, students, faculty and staff. Our mission is to serve God by providing a challenging academic education integrated with Catholic values and morals in developing the whole person - spiritually, intellectually, physically and socially.

Members Present: **Sister Genera Rolf, Sister Kamphaus, Dr. Colosimo, Peggy Bazuk, Mike DeCarlo, Tom DeGanaars, Molly Dumas, Nirla Harris, Ron Heinz, Clarence Illario, Joseph Ligori, Ed Manuell, Sara Meehan, Tom Paget, Becky Potts, Julie Roughton, Dave Simpson, James Tangaro, Cindy Grange**

Excused: **David Jansen**

- λ **Welcome -Ron Heinz** welcomed everyone.
- λ **Prayer/Reflection: Prayer** given by **Mike DeCarlo**
- λ **Dr. Colosimo** spoke about the
  - λ Night of ...
    - λ New Concept, raised **\$37,000**
    - λ Almost 400 people attended
      - λ Biggest complaint was price of alcohol
        - λ Rethinking some things, overall went really well, was good for moral of faculty and staff
- λ **Other Events**
  - λ **Feast of Juan Diego** this week (Dec 1- 6th)
    - λ December 4<sup>th</sup> was “Creativity Day” with students
    - λ December 5<sup>th</sup>, Mass with Bishop Wester
  - λ **Spiritus Donorum Dinner** was last week and was well attended.
  - λ **Vouchers**
    - λ Lost in the election 62/38 against vouchers
      - λ A generational process and is currently dead right now.
    - λ Hopefully the **Carson Smith** scholarship program can be expanded to included people with financial difficulties as well as developmental disabilities.
    - λ Currently JD has over 80 kids in this scholarship program and JD has kids from every socio economic level and every learning ability level. All Catholic schools participate in the Carson Smith program.
      - λ People for Choice in Education are no match for UEA which is organized in every small town in Utah that would not have even been affected by the vouchers as these towns do not have private schools to speak of.

- λ Mistake was trying to pass a comprehensive law with too many voters that had no stake in the outcome.
- λ Legislators will not be as sympathetic to the UEA and might send more money to voucher schools.

λ **Molly Dumas – Spirit Theme**

- λ Annual Fund Goal of \$150,000 is almost met.
- λ Board participation was 100%
- λ Please look at website and see if there are people or companies that need to be added or contacted.
- λ **Pat Cupido** is doing a great job at recruitment and we just had a very successful open house.
- λ Diocesan level campaigns to start in January with ads and commercials
  - λ Found out through voucher campaign that there are a lot of misconceptions about Catholic Schools would like have cleared up.
  - λ Looking to “value added” to schools to spend money on the wide pr campaigns, do they get “bang for their buck”?
  - λ Logging inquires and hits to websites to see what is effective, second report should come out next month.

λ **Spirit of Improvement**

**Ron Heinz** spoke of action items from the last meeting.

- λ Met with Dr. Colosimo and would like to go forward with the *Juan Diego Academy of Sciences, Math and Technology*.
  - λ Mr. Skaggs has a science academy at his school in San Diego and we would like to have one here too.
  - λ Regular High School within our school for special students that show aptitude for sciences. Would have specialized curriculum and enriched science experience.
  - λ Need qualified teachers to illicit excitement in these fields
  - λ Galey making proposal to collaborate with the University of Utah Pharmacy Department
  - λ Bottom line is that it would need money to succeed and would ASLAM want to fund it or could there be other outside support.
  - λ It would cost approximately \$200,00 a year. Currently there is no money in the budget without outside funding.
  - λ Would need a Science Administrator.
  - λ Funding for enriched experience.
  - λ Would want to have opportunities for minority students as well so would need scholarship money
- λ Could be a magnet for kids and teachers with abilities and help JD to compete in new educational market place, to be better able to compete with the charter schools that are coming that will be fully funded by the state.

λ **Spirit of Community – Becky Potts**

- λ Faculty social will be January 11<sup>th</sup> at Ron Heinz's home, spouses are included and invitations will follow. Please hold the date.

λ **Finance – Tom DeGanaars**

- λ Budget is trending along as expected.
  - λ Hand out given showing that budget is not in as good as shape as last year and that is because tuition is not rising as fast as salaries and benefits.
  - λ Need to see enrollment growth to provide a cushion.

- λ There are retention issues that needed to be addressed.
- λ Expenses growing at 5 to 6% and tuition at 3%.
- λ Night Of donations are not reflected budget unless specifically designated to go there.
- λ Cost of education is out pacing the ability of the middle class family to keep up
- λ Answer is to have endowment funds like universities to fund tuition assistance.
- λ **Facilities: Dave Simpson**
- λ **Creating an *Operations and Maintenance Manual***
  - λ Will show what responsibilities are, and what results are expected.
  - λ Should be completed soon
  - λ Help to direct facilities functions
- λ ***Long Term Facilities Management Plan***
  - λ Will decide soon on which company to go with on this.
- λ Safety Related Issues
  - λ *Safety Manual* is currently being developed
- λ Upcoming Events
  - λ **Faculty and Board Social**
    - λ January 11<sup>th</sup>
  - λ **January 12<sup>th</sup>** 8:30 to 3:00-location to be determined
    - λ Look at viability factors and benchmarks about what we want our schools to be on a diocesan level.
    - λ Please let Ron know If you can attend.
  - λ **February 9 – NCEA In service** (location to be determined)
    - Board in-service from 8:30 to 1:30 and will include lunch
    - Workshops for board membersRon will divide up the two events to get good representation at both
- λ Spirituous Donorum – 3 new Fine art additions at school in the trophy cases. Please notice when you walk by
  - Paintings done by a young girl (Akiana)
- λ Next Meeting Scheduled for **January 22, 7:00 pm** in the Juan Diego Board Room
- λ Meeting Adjourned
- λ **Wine and Cheese served**
  - λ **Merry Christmas to all**