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The Marti School Board of Trustees Meeting
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The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held December 4, 1962 at the School House. Mrs. Robert Hughes, Jr., Chairman, presided. Those answering roll call were:

Dr. Marti  Mrs. Fred DeCamp  Mrs. Robert Hughes
Mrs. Marti  Mrs. Daniel Mahoney  Mrs. Robert Nevin
Mrs. Walker Lewis  Mr. Daniel Mahoney  Mrs. Nelson Mead
Mr. John Cote  Rev. Harold Kocher  Mrs. Pierce Wood

Mrs. Nevin announced that a total of $800 had been raised by Mrs. Marti to pay for the boarding expense of Rose Marie Strattner, our Brazilian pupil. Rose Marie has been speaking to numerous Women’s organizations on Brazilian customs and the resulting publicity has been valuable to the school. Volunteer Scholarship funds collected to date total $468, Athletic Equipment donations $160. A gift of $200 for operating funds has been made by Globe Industries, through Mr. Robert Stein.

Mrs. Hughes reviewed the property purchase situation reporting that the $100,000 Humert property had been declared unsuitable for school purposes by State authorities. She also reported that school representatives had examined the Willows property consisting of 10 acres, 2 buildings and a small house, probably available for about $75,000.

Mrs. Marti spoke on the theme “Culture Goes to School”, stating that The Marti School will continue to emphasize taste and aesthetics through such means as presenting full texts of the classics, displaying good art and avoiding that which is cheap and easy.

She also mentioned that a report had come back from Wing Commander and Mrs. Hyde saying that their children had not been put back a grade, as is normally expected in English schools, and that they were most grateful to the school. Reports from Andover,
Groton and St. Paul's indicate that the stiff grading policies at The Marti School have paid off in the success of our former pupils.

Mrs. Nevin asked the opinion of the Trustees on the question of passing on to the parents the extra expenses involved in having tutored study halls for those pupils on 2nd quarter probation. She stated that the school had undertaken this expense for four weeks on a trial basis, but did not feel that it should continue to do so if the parents did not feel that this was of value to these pupils. Mr. Lewis motioned; Mr. Mahoney seconded that this expense be passed on to the parents.

Dr. Marti announced that he had been invited to give two lectures in the Dept. of Theology at Notre Dame.

Mrs. Hughes turned the meeting over to Mrs. Mahoney, who had recently returned from the East where she had conferred with Mr. Francis Parkman, Chairman of the National Association of Independent Schools.

The following suggestions emerged from this conference:

1. Lack of State Accreditation is not considered a detriment by many private schools. Some schools have even dropped it.

2. A Headmaster to work on athletics, finances, lunch program might be hired at a salary between $6500 and $10,000 per year.

3. Membership in Ohio Association of Independent Schools would be desirable. Mrs. Mahoney will write concerning this.

Mr. Mahoney moved that we authorize the formation of a committee to investigate the above mentioned proposals. Mr. Lewis added the proposal that the first objective of this committee be the definition of duties to be assigned to any new employee. Motion seconded by Mr. Cote and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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TENTATIVE AGENDA, January 30th: Review of Board Organization, School Curriculum, Finance and Future Planning.