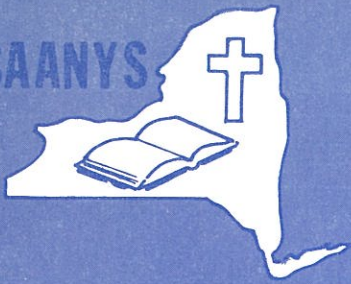


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NEWSLETTER

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CSAANYS is a service organization. Its governance is by a 16 member board which represents the principals in each diocese. Regular elections are held on alternate years for elementary and secondary representatives, each to serve a two-year term.

Grass roots input is necessary, particularly for an organization which serves schools in a variety of places and circumstances. Do not hesitate to contact your representative to make suggestions, ask questions, etc.

Contract Purchasing: A Hot Item

Administrators across the state have expressed a real interest in possible savings involved in purchasing under state contracts. Administrators who for some reason did not receive the initial mailing from the Office of General Services were made aware of this through our memo. Those who wrote us for copies of the mailing were sent them immediately.

CSAANYS sees its role in regard to contract purchasing merely as a "check point." We would like to be sure that all principals realize that they may purchase some items through the OGS, what the basic procedures are, and that more and more products will be available as new contracts are made.

Among the contracts to be finalized by March or April should be:

- overhead & slide projectors
- ID Cameras

WORKSHOP DATES
Friday, April 29 — Batavia
Friday, May 6 — Amsterdam
Mark your calendar NOW

- material handling equipment
- laboratory equipment and supplies
- safety storage cabinets
- domestic appliances (refrigerators, ranges & freezers.)
- paper products
- air conditioners
- paints

We recognize that those schools which have a diocesan purchasing agency may have little need for state contract purchasing; but even they might find comparisons illuminating. We therefore plan to publish prices on certain select items occasionally; but administrators must go directly to OGS for complete information and copies of contracts.

Draney To Leave CSAANYS, Replacement Search Begun

Brother Thomas P. Draney, CFC, announced his resignation, effective Sept. 1 at the Board meeting on January 21. A search committee was formed and notices sent to religious communities working in N.Y. State, as well as to diocesan offices, soliciting their aid in publicizing the resultant opening.

Brother hopes to concentrate more on infusing into social studies and religion curricula in Catholic schools basic concepts related to freedom of choice and Parent Power. Several national groups have expressed interest in his work, but as yet he has no definite plans.

One of the seven principals from across the state who met on April 15, 1972, to make CSAANYS a reality, he organized the Albany diocese principals for the first membership meeting of CSAANYS at Mater Christi, Brooklyn, shortly after. Brother represented the Albany secondary school principals on the first Board, and became a staff member in July, 1972.

Persons who would like further information on the staff opening should write or call CSAANYS in Albany. Resumes should be in by March 1.

IRS No. 990: No!

As confusing as the headline above has been news reports on whether or not Catholic schools would have to file an annual report of income in the future to Internal Revenue Service. The most knowledgeable advice right now says that we won't. Final word will come from the USCC, through diocesan offices, of course.

This thrust of the IRS ruling should be a great lesson to all of us about the desire of secularists to make religion in every aspect a department of government or an over-regulated business.

Catholics Concerned Over Appointments To Regents

Nonpublic school legislation was noticeably absent from the Regents' Legislative Proposal this year. The search committee for a new commissioner had no one selected to speak for the 20% of students who attend nonpublic schools.

For these reasons it is comforting to know that the Parents Federation is showing real interest in the process of nominating candidates. Regent Genevieve Klein's term expires this year. Regent Joseph Indelicato, M.D. has resigned. Since both of these are from the Brooklyn diocese, the Federation there with the help of the school office is making politicians and legislators aware of the need for Regents who consider the needs of nonpublic school students also.

This is particularly true now, because Regent Klein has been a leader in expressing to the Board the needs of nonpublic students, and Regent Indelicato has always been very concerned and fair.

The appointment of Regents has become a political football in recent years. A recent court ruling has given most of the power in this to the Assemblymen, because they outnumber Senators 150 to 60 in joint session.

We trust that if the Parents Federation asks for help in communicating with all the parents through the administrators, each of us will realize the importance of our cooperation.

CSAANYS can not encourage administrators enough to support the Parents Federation in every way, particularly through membership of your local parents' group.

NEWS NOTES

Special Unemployment Renewed

The special unemployment assistance for which teachers can qualify has been

Environmental and Career Education Workshops Scheduled Under ECOS

Miss Laura Higgins of the ETI staff (ECOS Training Institute) reports that she has given presentations explaining the possibilities of ECOS and PIP to individual school faculties, to groups of administrators, and to religious community personnel as a result of information sent out by Sr. Catherine. Miss Higgins urged principals to remember that the **funding is available this year, but we don't know about next year.**

Under the ECOS program, workshops on environmental education through infusion of principles in other areas of curriculum have been scheduled by the Brooklyn diocesan office for March 22-24

and April 20-22. Career Education is slated for May 3-4.

Some Catholic school personnel have been scheduled to participate in workshops planned by a school district on Long Island. St. Patrick's in Yorktown Heights is continuing its involvement with the program.

Remember: All nonpublic schools are eligible to participate. Since Sr. Catherine has been appointed a facilitator by ETI, she can make preliminary contacts for the schools, or you may call ETI directly collect at the number given on the memo about ECOS and PIP.

Some Thoughts On Our Participation In Title Programs

Only one Catholic school in the state made a Title IVC proposal, to the best of our knowledge. That was All Hallows in the Bronx, whose principal, Bro. John J. McCarthy, submitted a proposal on drop-out prevention. It is, we think, an excellent one, involving also public school students, and we shall watch its progress.

Why so few submissions? As Brother McCarthy could testify, the amount of work is raised to the nth power by the amount of red tape, scurrying between concerned agencies, and bureaucracy in general.

Since our schools have to apply through a public district or entity in any case, it seems that our participation should be more in sharing the projects submitted by the local district. The difficulty then is that **we must also share in the planning of the program.** The law, as well as common sense and justice, requires this.

Still, many schools are "included in the program" technically, but in fact they have neither participated in the planning nor shared in the benefits.

This is not a new problem. People on both sides of the fence have contributed to it.

The Nonpublic School Office, under Mr. Hartmuller, has made a real effort this year to notify NPS within a district when a Title IVC proposal was submitted by the district. We hope to follow up on this work in the future, working closely with that office, so that when a district makes any title proposal, without notifying our schools first of all and inviting them to share in the planning of the proposal, CSAANYS will formally oppose the acceptance of funding of the program on the basis that it is not in compliance with the law.

Of course, no amount of checking can gain for our students their rightful participation when the administrator refuses to be involved or "signs off" not knowing what it is he or she is signing.

More on "Operation Check" in the future.

Please return the form on transportation difficulties. Accurate and complete data is necessary for our legislative program.

Materials sent out by NPS Office on Title IVC

December (through Diocesan offices):

Letter to principals whose district requested proposal writing material for IVC. It told principals of type of program being considered and advised them to contact district officials about participating in planning and development, if district had not already contacted them.

February (in transit, also through Diocesan offices.)

Letter to principals whose district actually submitted proposals. It asked:

- were you actively involved in planning and development
- if not, had you requested to be
- did you submit a "sign off." Response is to be made by February 21.

Catholic Schools Week

Congratulations to the Parents Federation for the excellent material they assembled and made available to the diocesan offices, parental leaders, and to the media. Much of this was used, and although credit could not always be given, there is no doubt that the material added a dimension of depth to the understanding of many non-Catholics and Catholics alike.