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Dear Bishop Foley Family,

In June 2022, when Father Tony Richter invited me to lunch, I had no idea that meeting would mark the beginning of my involvement in one of the most significant periods of transformation in Bishop Foley Catholic High School's history. At that time, the school had gone nearly five years without any formal oversight since my youngest son's graduation in 2017.

Over the following months and years, a dedicated effort was made to restructure Bishop Foley Catholic as an independent entity with its own governance system. In August 2022, I was honored to be elected as the inaugural Chairperson of the newly established Board of Directors. Since then, we have developed and implemented governance policies, defined roles and responsibilities, and gradually transitioned the Board from an advisory capacity to one with direct administrative and oversight authority. It has been a dynamic and evolving process, and I am proud of the progress we've made. It has truly been an honor to serve Bishop Foley Catholic over the past three years.

Today, I am excited to announce and introduce our new Board Chair, Mr. Sal Trupiano Sr. Many of you already know Sal Sr. through his longtime service as a programming mentor for the Foley Freeze Robotics Team; a role he has held since January 2014. His dedication to our school community is evident in the strong relationships he has built with students, faculty, administration, and parents; starting with sending his son to BFC, and continuing on as an alumni parent. Sal Sr.'s extensive leadership experience spans more than 30 years in software development and technology, and he has also served in various ministries, including as a program leader for the Blood Drive Ministry and as a drummer/percussionist at St. Mary of the Hills Catholic Church in Rochester Hills. In October 2023, Sal Sr. joined the advisory council for the Electrical and Computer Engineering Department at the University of Michigan, further reflecting his deep commitment to education and service. Sal Sr. brings with him valuable insight, accessibility, and passion for the Bishop Foley Catholic mission. Should you wish to contact Mr. Trupiano with any questions or concerns, he can be reached directly at boardchair@bishopfoley.org.

As I conclude my term as Board Chair, I have one sincere request: get involved. While current parents may not serve on the Board of Directors, there are many meaningful opportunities to contribute. We invite parents, alumni, and community members to participate in one of our six committees or the Moms & Dads Clubs. Your talents, ideas, and energy are vital to shaping the future of Bishop Foley Catholic High School.

Thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving this wonderful school community. I look forward to seeing Bishop Foley Catholic continue to flourish under Mr. Trupiano's leadership.

Very truly yours,

Timothy D. Finegan
Outgoing Chairperson, Board of Directors
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