

Message from the Board of Trustees

September 17, 2009

Dear Link Community:

Congratulations to the entire Link Community on the start of an exciting school year! The students are enthusiastic and ready to work hard. Thank you to the faculty and staff for working hard to get us off on the right foot, and thank you to Maria Paradiso and the rest of the leadership team for doing an outstanding job directing this endeavor.

Behind the scenes, the Board of Trustees has begun the process of finding the next leader for Link. With this in mind, a Search Committee has been formed. Thank you very much to the following key people who have agreed to serve in this important role: Wendy Lacey, Dave Ferry, Janice Robinson, Sister Donna Marie O'Brien, Paul Stephenson and Carey Hamilton. The Search Committee is charged with handling the major parts of the process and making a final recommendation to the Board as to a leadership decision.

The Board has engaged Educational Directions Incorporated (EDI), to gather information from our key constituents. EDI is a national consulting firm that works with various kinds of independent schools on a wide-range of projects. Stephen and Harriet DiCicco from EDI will be leading on-campus discussions next week with faculty, staff, parents, trustees and some students. The discussions they lead will focus on the opportunities and challenges facing Link in the next 5 years, and the leadership qualities important to the Link Community. The DiCiccos will synthesize the community input and present their findings to the Search Committee.

The Board of Trustees will continue to keep our stakeholders updated as we move forward in shaping the future of Link Community School.

Wendy Lacey
Chairperson
Board of Trustees