

## **Archdiocese of Cincinnati**

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## **ARCHBISHOP APPOINTS MOELLER PRESIDENT**

William E. Hunt, a University of Dayton director of development, has been appointed by Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr as the first president of Archbishop Moeller High School in Cincinnati, effective July 1, following the recommendation of a search committee.

“Mr. Hunt was an outstanding candidate for the president position who has both the skills and the personality to enhance Moeller’s success,” said Pat Armstrong, interim Superintendent of Catholic Schools. “He is confident, sincere, and committed.”

Moeller principal Blane Collison and his Advisory Board, after careful study over several years, decided to adopt the president-principal model of governance to further strengthen the school’s mission and vision and to ensure the school’s long-term viability.

“As we head into our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration year, we are very excited that Blane Collison has initiated and led us into this president-principal form of governance,” said Advisory Board President Bob Niehaus ’65. “Bill Hunt is uniquely qualified to serve as our president, and we believe he will provide us with a foundation that will sustain us for the next 50 years.”

Hunt has 17 years of experience working with alumni, donors, faculty, and staff at the University of Dayton, also a Catholic Marianist institution. He has served as UD’s director of annual giving, director of alumni programs, director of alumni relations, and a director of development.

During that time Hunt demonstrated measurable leadership in establishing alumni and volunteer connections with the university. He engaged more than 7,500 university alumni and friends in 34 nationwide chapter cities

through his planning, marketing, and implementation of approximately 360 annual initiatives and events. He successfully cultivated volunteers, leading 13 volunteer leadership conferences and managing approximately 120 alumni and community volunteers annually through a variety of programmatic initiatives that served to build and maintain lifelong relationships with the university.

As a human resources leader, he managed a board of directors responsible for the strategic direction of the university's National Alumni Association, and in a role prior to his UD years he developed an employee feedback process that enabled the staff to build process improvements, implement suggestions, and recognize individual contributions. He also created systems that helped maintain staff continuity and retain a high level of customer service.

As UD's director of alumni relations, Hunt successfully administered an annual \$1.1 million operating budget and negotiated merchandising contracts that ensured an annual revenue stream of more than \$150,000 for the university's National Alumni Association.

In his role as a director of development for the university, Hunt designed and implemented a \$2 million leadership gift strategy to support three fundraising initiatives, and, as director of annual giving, his peer-to-peer solicitation plan increased leadership annual gifts by 8 percent.

In addition to his extensive experience in university management and advancement, Hunt has a background in business and in marketing, formerly serving as a regional manager for Pepsico and as a director/manager for the Carlson Marketing Group. He graduated from the University of Cincinnati with a B.A. in pre-management and from the University of Dayton with an M.B.A. in management.

"Bill's qualifications are obviously stellar," says Moeller Principal Blane Collison, "and he has demonstrated the leadership qualities we are looking for in a president. However, because of his many years at the University of Dayton, he also has a keen understanding of and dedication to the Marianist Charism, which is central to Moeller's culture. His years of commitment to this Catholic mission and its principles, combined with his successful advancement experience at the college level, make Bill Hunt's appointment by Archbishop Schnurr something to celebrate."

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Cincinnati is the 38<sup>th</sup> largest Catholic diocese in the country, with almost 500,000 Catholics, and has the eighth largest network of Catholic schools in terms of enrollment. The 19-county territory includes 218 parishes and 115 Catholic primary and secondary schools.

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