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**JESUIT SCHOOLS NETWORK
JESUIT CONFERENCE OF CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES**

The Jesuit Schools Network (JSN) is pleased to announce the appointment of Fr. Robert Reiser, SJ, to the position of Executive Director, effective August 1, 2021.

Fr. Reiser is presently the President of McQuaid Jesuit High School, Rochester, NY, where he had served previously as a faculty member and as the Assistant to the President. His academic credentials include a M.Sc. in Educational Leadership, Th.M., M.Div., M.A., B.Sc. He has also served as the President of St. Peter's Preparatory School, in Jersey City, NJ, where he had earlier spent time teaching, as Director of Vocations for the (then) New York Province, as a teacher at Canisius High School, Buffalo, NY, and as the Chair of the Board of Directors of what was then the Jesuit Secondary Education Association (JSEA). He held this last position at the time of the transition from JSEA to JSN.

Fr. Reiser's appointment concludes an extensive and intensive search that began last August with a survey of the entire network of 84 schools to determine the priorities and needs of the network, and to solicit names of potential candidates for the position of Executive Director. This was necessitated by the announcement from the current Executive Director, Fr. Bill Muller, SJ, that his term would end in July 2021.

Upon receipt of that announcement, the JSN Board of Directors constituted a Search Committee comprised of six Board Members: Chair Michael O'Hagan (President of Arrupe Cristo Rey, Denver, CO), Tom Arndorfer (President of Jesuit High School, Portland, OR), Leonard Altilia, SJ (PASE Canada, Chair of Board of Directors), Bri Latko (Principal of St. Ignatius College Prep, Chicago, IL), Tim Caslin (PASE UWE), and Terri Côté (Principal of Mother Teresa Middle School [Nativity], Regina, SK).

The months-long process culminated in a prayerful communal discernment among the Search Committee members, which arrived at the choice of Fr. Reiser. This was then submitted to the JSN Board of Directors, which gave unanimous approval, and subsequently to the JSN Board of Members (the Provincials) who also unanimously approved the choice.

Our thanks to all who participated in this process and contributed to its successful completion. Most especially we thank the Holy Spirit for guiding the process with grace and wisdom. Please join us in welcoming Bob Reiser to his new position and in thanking Bill Muller for his extraordinary leadership during these years of establishing the JSN to render service in Jesuit Education for the greater glory of God.

Fr. Leonard Altilia, SJ
Chair, JSN Board of Directors