Conclusions

1. After their second meeting, the Advisory Board is considered to be a valuable meeting place between Demarcations and Fraternities of the Pious Schools, which has had a significant number of representatives from the Order and its Demarcations as well as from the Piarist Fraternities.

2. At the moment, it is a priority challenge for Itaka-Escolapios to impulse its configuration as an international network. This requires giving progressive steps to have structures that enhance overall performance and better communication within the entire network.

3. The conscience of network has to be combined with the necessary appropriation of Itaka-Escolapios at each location. The key to manage this is the proper location of Itaka-Escolapios within the organization in each Demarcation and each piarist presence.

4. Itaka-Escolapios, as a tool to serve the mission and to generate piarist tissue, endorses the challenges that come from the Order and from the Fraternities. Prominent among these challenges is supporting the training of people, the Calasanz Movement and the pastoral activity in general, as well as the founding and development of the piarist presence in new places.

5. It is necessary to renew the organization chart of the Itaka-Escolapios network as a tool to get an adequate visualization of the organizational model. This network chart must be accompanied at each site by the Itaka-Escolapios chart, within the corresponding Demarcation and piarist presence.

6. The Advisory Council approves the new Strategic Plan of Itaka-Escolapios network for the next six years, to be developed at each demarcation and for each project in four-year and annual plans and objectives.

7. A new model of institutional linkage of the Demarcations and Fraternities to Itaka-Escolapios network is launched. This model means both adherence to a Programmatic Charter and agreements which will implement participation and shared mission, and will be updated on an annual basis.

8. To support the piarist mission it is essential to cultivate our social base (partners, alumni...), to diversify fundraising and to make the best of self-finance opportunities, in order to have more resources for those projects and presences which find it harder to support themselves. It is also essential for Itaka-Escolapios to keep showing transparency and clear accounts in front of the Pious Schools and society in general.

9. The Advisory Council finds it convenient to move towards a better implementation of Itaka-Escolapios in Europe, which can be carried out through the opening of new sites.

10. As piarist network, Itaka-Escolapios is called to collaborate with all the Pious Schools and open to be present in other Demarcations and Fraternities which express their desire to participate and share mission in this network.

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