

# **Grace Christian Board Meeting November 28, 2016, 6:30 P.M.**

Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m.

## **Opening Prayer**

Board Members in Attendance: Dan DesRosiers; Matt Sexton; Joe Pepple; Ken Housh; Brian Bradshaw; Scott Reeve; Bill Wilkinson

Board Members Absent: Gary Bluschke; Eric Bontrager

## **Prior Meeting Minutes And Approval**

Motion by Matt ; Second by Ken Housh. Unanimous approval.

## **Student Council Introduction**

Elliott Schwarze represented the student council and explained what they do.

## **Chairman's Report**

Dr. Bill Wilkinson introduced himself and shared with the board about their involvement in the school.

Public thank you's to those who helped at the Lake Michigan College Christmas Carnival on Nov. 19th. Cindy Bridgman coordinated it.

Gary Bluschke going through cancer treatment.

Budget meetings coming up for the next school year.

## **Head Of School**

Maria (our Athletic Director) updated us on the sports program at Grace. Working on various teams and skill learning for elementary through high school.

Partnered with Toys For Tots promoting the school.

Christmas ad is airing promoting the school.

Getting new international student in January.

Working with state police developing policies for finger printing and background checks.

Working on Jamaican trip. Every senior but one is going. Every junior is going and enough chaperones. About 20 are going.

Job ad for finance position at school.

### **ACSI Accreditation**

Ahead of schedule in some ways and behind in others.

### **Academic Committee**

Committee will be meeting in December.

### **Finance Report**

Working with families on delinquent accounts.

Balance sheet is balanced. Had to transfer some money from restricted to make payroll.

Should be fine through December but January and February will depend upon end of year giving.

Tuition is going to be less than budgeted by the end of the year.

Went over October finance report.

Motion by Dan to accept report; seconded by Dan. Unanimous approval.

Budget meeting at 8:00 A.M. on January 14, 2017.

### **Building And Grounds Report**

Ongoing projects. Hope to see action this week on one of them.

Reorganized the strength room.

Toilets backing up has been fixed along with kitchen issues. Septic pumped.

Graded the parking lot.

New gym entry sign.

Working on the lights for the game entry walkway. To be resolved soon.

Replaced the leaky faucet in upper boys bathroom.

Kitchen drain fixed.

Turbine to be fixed.

Other projects have been completed or being worked on.

### **Technology Report**

Did not meet in October, will meet in November.

Phones are installed and working.

### **Advancement Committee Report**

Copy and paste Kim's report

Website updated with B & I members.

Silver Beach pizza night fundraiser.

Submitted grant to Bruce Family endowment.

\$12,400 Cash; \$4,665.00 In Kind Donations; \$500.00 – Waiting on Casual Tees (Kim Johnson said they would)

Thank you notes mailed out.

Went over with Joe. Made changes and emailed back to Joe..

Cookbook – Still in question about placing the order.

Watervliet Christmas Parade – Discussed the invitation to participate. Group came to the conclusion not to participate this year and have a few people go and see what it's all about. (They didn't like the fact that it was on a Sunday Afternoon). Chrystal is drafting up a letter to explain our decline to participate.

Auction update. Letters were sent out on November 15, 2016.

### **Bylaws and Compliance Committee**

Working on marriage and sexuality information for constitution, bylaws, etc.

Working on firearms procedure, policy and procedures. Eric Bontrager would help in putting the committee together.

### **Nomination Committee**

Potential candidates are being considered.

Four candidates for three year terms, two candidates for one year term.

### **New Business**

Info on retreat for this Saturday.

Meeting closed at 9:20 p.m. Entered into closed session.

### **Closed Session**

### **Closing Prayer**

Next Board Meeting – 12/19/16 at 6:30 p.m.

Association meeting on March 7, 2017

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