

# **Aberdeen Christian School**

## **Board Meeting Minutes**

**February 26, 2024**

The monthly meeting was held in the Chapel at 6:00 PM.

**Members present:** Larry Inches, Becky Kaiser, Karen Edwards, Linda Shoup, Michelle Ramirez

Along with: Amy Beaner, Sherri Stahl and Rodney Johnson

Members Excused: Steven Schaeffer and Betsey Dinger

**Good News Items:** SB72 has passed both houses of SD legislature and will be voted on 8:00 AM Tuesday, February 27. This would increase the cap on funding for private schools from \$2 million to \$5 million which would greatly benefit our school families. Nominations continue to be submitted for the Reach Out award. Our butterbraid/pizza fundraiser wrapped up with a great response.

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes were emailed to members earlier. Linda moved to approve; seconded by Larry. Approved.

**Persons wishing to address the Board:** none

### **Administrative Report:**

Enrollment: 219

Athletics: Boys basketball playoffs this week. Track practice started today with many participants.

School Improvement/Accreditation/Testing/Data/Curriculum: Bible curriculum evaluation process concludes that the materials being used presently cover things well. There were supplemental materials reviewed as possibilities to add. These would be useful in the event a sub is needed for the class,

Budget/Staffing: Reviewed the budget power point for the March Association meeting.

Strategic Plan: Goal #6 reviewed. Website updating and changes are in process likely to be rolled out this summer. Discussion of Church Awareness. A school video is needed as our current one is several years old. Sustainability will be removed from the Goal #6 sheet as it is no longer being promoted.

Policy Review: Amy presented the policy manual with recommended changes which reflect current practice. This was the first reading with the second reading and vote at the March meeting.

### **Committee Reports:**

Finance: Linda reported that there are no significant changes. The budget reflects funds at about 50% which is on target with funds recently received from SD Partners. The lunch program funds allow for replacing the stove. Becky made a motion to approve a purchase of a stove up to \$1,000. A second by Linda. Approved.

Facilities: Elevator repairs - waiting. Generator - inspection needed for the transfer switch project. Batteries are on order. Funds remain to cover the costs. Chiller maintenance contracts are being reviewed. Wish list still include a playground perimeter fence, B wing bathrooms, A wing locker rooms and main entrance canopy repair.

Fundraising/development: Rodney reported that all pledges have been received leaving a total of about \$450,000 with work soon to begin on the next \$500,000. RenewaNation on-site visit is scheduled for April 3-4 requesting about 100 interviews. It includes reviews of our school to enable us to work toward excellence. This is a three year commitment funded by the ACSFoundation. Tomorrow's staff meeting will provide an opportunity to explain RenewaNation's visit and process. The March monthly patrons letter and families will be sent an overview provided by RenewaNation as well.

Education and Scholarship: Bible curriculum review reported above. Scholarship applications to go out shortly.

Public/Alumni Relations: Committee will meet tomorrow to plan the April 25 School Open House which will run from 4:30-6:30.

Ad Hoc Votes: February 19 vote to approve purchase of 3 laptop carts at a cost of \$1,709.97. February 21 vote to approve adding homeschooled students to the spring sports through SDHSAA.

**Closing Prayer:** Becky

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