

Aberdeen Christian School

Board Meeting Minutes

April 22, 2024

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

Members present: Becky Kaiser, Karen Edwards, Linda Shoup, Betsey Dinger, Michelle Ramirez

Along with: Amy Beaner, Sherri Stahl, and Rodney Johnson

Members excused: Steven Schaeffer and Larry Inches

Good News Items: The Banquet was a success with a lot of students in attendance. A huge thank you to Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Nell, the chaperones and the students who helped decorate. It was a fun event for all.

Approval of minutes: Minutes were emailed to the Board members earlier. A motion was made by Michelle to approve the minutes. Linda provided a second to the motion and they were approved by the Board.

Persons wishing to address the Board: Paula Fogarty was not present, but an email was sent to Amy prior to the meeting. She was asking permission and hoping to adopt a change for homeschool families to be able to walk at our graduation ceremonies.

Administrative Report:

Enrollment: 217

Athletics: Tennis, Golf and Track season is underway.

School Improvement: The 3rd and 9th graders will be taking the IOWA testing this week. Amy is working on our accreditation for 2025-2026.

Strategic Plan: We reviewed Goal #2 which is Safety & Orderliness

Policy Review: We reviewed policy and made a few changes to language to the following items: Tuition Assistance (TADS/SD Partner Procedures, the line of Authority in case of Administrator absent and Excused Absences.

Committee Reports

Finance: Financial reports were emailed out prior to the meeting. We reviewed the budget summary. No significant changes noted.

Facilities: The generator was inspected. The radiator belt needed to be replaced. They believe this is from not be used in a while. They advised running it once a month and it should help keep the belt in working condition. The permanent expansion tank was installed. They had to replace a sump pump in B wing. They are getting quotes from DSG and House of Glass on replacing the globes in the light poles in the parking lot. They are working to get a plan to fix and paint the overhang on the main entrance to the school.

Boosters: Didn't meet

Fundraising/ Development: The radio ad went well with Rodney. The foundation was happy with how well the consulting process went. They are excited to be bringing more men into the school to offer the boys a strong spiritual presence. Specifically, they will be bringing in Greg Fred to be Chaplin for the school. Greg will be assisting with the Chapel, setting themes for Chapel, leading worship, collaborating with local Pastors to get them involved with the school, praying at games and setting up fun activities for the kids. They will also be bringing in Micah Westby to teach the Old Testament. Rodney also talked about their interest in looking for donations of farm machinery. The Clean-a-thon is making a change this year and going to online giving using Zeffy as their online donation tool. We will be using social media as our advertising platform. Maggie Jett has made a wonderful Promo video to help with it.

Education/ Scholarship: The committee will be meeting in May.

Public/ Alumni Relations: The PR committee has been distributing postcards to churches and preschools. They are looking forward to the Open House on April. 25.

Ad hoc updates: April 6- approval for 4 cameras with funds being used from the technology account.

Final comments, Questions, Concerns- None

Betsey Dinger, Secretary