

Board of Directors Meeting
December 3, 2024
6:00 p.m. at GCC conference room

Board members in attendance were: Mike Fawl (President), Berrigan Willmott (Vice-president), Marshall Madill (Treasurer), Kelli Forbes (Secretary), John Schierling, Debbie Gloss, Cheryl Garrett, Brandi Wells and Dustin Elder. Also in attendance were Becky Florance and Carl Fowler.

Opening prayer was led by John Schierling.

Approve agenda and minutes of 11/5/24 meeting: Marshall stated we will include Mike as a signer on the bank account, but this will be a caveat in the financial report.

Motion: I move we approve the agenda and the minutes as presented. By: John Schierling; Second: Cheryl Garrett. Passed.

Recognition of visitors: There were no new visitors. Carl Fowler was welcomed.

Financial Report: Marshall stated we need a motion to add Mike Fawl, President of the Board, as a signer on the bank account.

Motion: I make a motion we add Mike Fawl, President of the Board, as a signer on the bank accounts. By: Marshall Madill; Second: Debbie Gloss. Passed.

Marshall distributed and reviewed the financial report. He stated that payroll has mostly doubled. There is a \$16,000 donation still coming from Grace Community Church and tuition payments through PayPal will be added in to the account. The school will start paying rent to GCC in January 2025.

Marshall gave members a handout showing the cost for each student in public schools in Kansas being \$17,500 per year. He also distributed a handout showing the costs of Heritage Christian School and compared the tuition costs at CCS.

Marshall gave members a handout showing tuition assistance opportunities at Flint Hills Christian School and discussion was had. He stated he has talked to Carl and wants to update the tuition assistance insert in the brochure and that we need to get the word out that tuition assistance is available and we need support to fund it. One side of the card will be addressing families and the need to apply to ACE first and then the school will work from that, and the other side is soliciting donations. Discussion was had.

Mike suggested we prioritize, for example, the top 10 needs, and people can designate funds to certain areas of the school. Marshall stated that undesignated funds go to tuition assistance and

that he and Carl have talked about working on designating funds to donate to. Discussion was had about payroll, tuition and costs.

Principal's report: Becky distributed her report and stated that Shawn Hiatt is still encouraged about building an outdoor learning environment. He has proposed to the church the idea of building a walking trail with different stations.

Discussed that board members will host the birthday breakfast on January 6th. Mike will bring sausage, Dustin will bring eggs, Brandi will bring muffins and Kelli will bring milk and juice. It will start at 8:00 a.m.

Media: Carl Fowler stated he has a direct mailer that needs to go out in the next few days, and should have the pictures and yearbook done by the end of next week.

Upcoming events: The Groundhog Supper will be February 1st and Marshall will be the speaker. All of the proceeds will go to the school for tuition assistance. Carl has helped Marshall get the flyers together, and board members were given flyers to help get sponsors and promote the Groundhog Supper.

Discussion was had about the Groundhog Supper last year being a success, and ideas for the upcoming one, including the Hawaii trip being donated by Mike for the silent auction. Brandi suggested opening the silent auction up on facebook, but someone would need to manage it. Berrigan stated we need a list of what will be at the silent auction.

Other business: Berrigan stated the Board has talked in the past about instituting school uniforms, and that this is something to think about for next year. Discussion was had. Becky spoke about doing an anonymous survey to the parents that would go to the church office and could also be done on Google forms. Becky and Cheryl are doing questions for the survey and the question about school uniforms will be added to the survey.

Marshall shared about the Christian Motorcyclist Association doing a youth retreat in Arkansas every year from December 29th to midnight on New Year's, and that the night before on the 28th, they would like to have a lock-in in the GCC basement. Discussion was had.

Executive Session:

Motion: I move we go into executive session for 15 minutes. By: Mike Fawl; Second: Cheryl Garrett. Passed.

(Executive session with board members only was held from 7:35 p.m. and extended to 8:03 p.m. No action was taken as a result of the executive session.)

Board members agreed to give each of the teachers and the teacher's assistant \$100 for Christmas.

(Becky and board members present in the conference room.)

Motion: I move we go back into executive session with Becky present for 15 minutes.
By: Brandi Wells; Second: Dustin Elder. Passed.

(Executive session with Becky and board members was held from 8:05 p.m. and extended to 8:47 p.m. and action will be taken out of executive session.)

Motion: I move we appoint Brandi Wells as the liason for the Board to the general staff.
By: Mike Fawl; Second: Marshall Madill. Passed.

The teacher in-service will be January 3rd, 2025. Brief discussion was had.

Closing prayer was led by Mike Fawl. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:55 p.m. The next meeting will be on January 7, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the GCC conference room.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelli Forbes, Secretary