

Board of Christian Education Minutes

12/11/23

In attendance: Roger Tessendorf, John Gerike, Cody Schara, Jeff Stevenson, Ryan Kruse, Matt Dehn, Theresa Braun (school rep) Beth Lynch, Krista Gunther, Jordan Johnston

Devotion led by Mr. Tessendorf

Approval of minutes.

DC Report-None

Athletic Report- Boys Basketball ends on December 18th. Girls Basketball will be coached by Paige Hendrikson and Theresa Braun will assist. St. Peter's will not have an A team; however, Laine Skinner and Skyla Schara will be playing with Sacred Heart. Thoughts on Mid-term grades. Athletes will not be able to participate until grades are passing...maybe not wait the full 2 weeks, players would be out until their grades are in good standing.

Homeschool situations-if we have a homeschool student that wants to participate and are members of our church can we allow them to participate. Would need board approval.

Seroogy chocolate fundraiser will begin toward mid-January.

Ministries Coordinator-Financials are in good standing. We have quite a few families with large balances for hot lunch. Reminders will be sent out. Tuition payments are looking good.

Motion to approve housing allowances for Phil Rogers, Roger Tessendorf, Becca Erdman, Matt Dehn and Krista Gunther was made by Cody Schara, 2nd by Jeff Stevenson. Motion carried.

School safety coordinator-Mr. Dehn went through all the training that the staff did before school. Lock down drill, approval of safety plan. *Needs approval 5-word protocol instead of 4-word protocol.

Motion of safety plan approval for the 23/24 school year made by Cody Schara, 2nd by Jeff Stevenson. Motion carried.

Motion of school wide violence drill approval of completion made by Jeff Stevenson, 2nd by Cody Schara, motion carried.

St. Peter's has all faculty CPR/AED, and bloodborne pathogen training. Also abuse, neglect and threat of school violence training completed.

Principals Report- Proposed change for Choice random Selection process in 26/27. Went over student Retention data. Invitation to staff and board to Christmas Taco Bar. Childrens Christmas Service will be held on December 20th. The new banners in the gym have been installed. Updated on cameras on the stage and in the school gym. Employee handbook has been sent off to be looked at, should be ready to go by 24/25 school year.

1. Old Business

- a. Update from Principal Call Committee - Suzanne Dunkin was extended the Call for the principal position at St. Peter's starting 24-25. She is looking to visit sometime between Christmas and New Years. UPDATE - Suzanne and her husband will visit on Sunday the 17th and Monday the 18th. More details to follow.
 - b. Plan to avoid overfilling 4K in the future - The Board plans to bring this plan to the Voters at the January Voters Meeting. Roger is to work up the financials for this plan by the next Board of Christian Education meeting on January 8, 2024
 - i. 3K in the current public PK room. - Hire a teacher and possibly an aid
 - 1. Public PK would not be at our school.
 - 2. 3K M/W and T/TH class from 8:00 am - 10:00 - Maximum of 12 students in each session
 - 3. A student could possibly enroll in both 3K sessions (4 days) IF room was available.
 - 4. Two 4K classes. One in the morning from 8:00-11:15 and one in the afternoon 12:00-3:15.
 - 5. One Friday a month an extra 4K class would be held.
 - 6. A maximum of 12 in each of the 4K session
 - c. Consider options for funding the school. - This item was tabled after a short discussion. The idea of approaching sister churches with students at the school was mentioned. Current funding sources are: Tuition, Choice, and St. Peter's Congregation.
2. New Business
- a. Policy Review D:2 Academic Eligibility - After a lot of discussion Mr. Dehn offered to talk to the 5-8 grade teachers for their input. Mr. Dehn would then share this information with Mr. Tessendorf. Mr. Gerike and Mr. Tessendorf will meet with this informant to draft a policy for the Board to consider at the next meeting on January 8, 2024
 - b. Motion to Determine the number of Choice Seats to open for the 24-25 school year. – was made by Jeff Stevenson, 2nd by Cody Schara. Motion passed.
 - c. Consider Hourly Workers Raise in February at January Voter's Meeting - The Board is supportive of this and will take it to the All-Boards Meeting on Dec. 21, 2023. It would add approximately \$20,000 to the budget.
 - d. Consider working with Marketing Wheel in developing a strategic Marketing Plan. Cost \$950 but if we enroll by 1/31/24 10% off or \$855 - The Board approved spending the funds if someone, or preferably a group, agreed to become the Marketing Team. One person is already considering this. This is a key part of the PK plan above as we attempt to fill the PK to feed the rest of the school.
 - e. Allowing home schooled children that are members of St. Peter's Church to play on St. Peter's Lutheran School sports team was discussed. After much discussion, The Board decided not to allow home school children that are members of St. Peter's to be on St. Peter's Lutheran School sports teams.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Lynch