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GENERAL MEETING- BOARD OF DIRECTORS

August 27th, 2019 – RCMS/KVE Gym, 6:00 pm

Type of meeting: General Board meeting with Directors and President.

Facilitator: Kent Bruce, Chairman; Vice-Chair: Julie Franzen; Meeting Secretary: Rick Rosenkranz; Board Members: Steve Pope. School President: Bruce Kelly.

Attendees: Bob Stuart, Jeann Stuart, Dave Rehnberg, Al Stever, Sigrid Jones, Sara Edwards, Larry Faim, Carol Meeuwse, Don Garnand, Justin Seimears, Nora Seimears, Melody Dipple, Bill Dipple, David Glass, Josh Springs, Cathy Ward, Brian Ward, Tim Bryant, Angela Pope, Sandy Hargrove, Mark Hargrove, Leanne Ellis, Doug Ellis, Vicki Shultz, Jayne Munch, Geoff Ellis, Diane Schukar, Scott Franzen, Phil Conrod, Sarah Jackson, Sean Hummel, Jenifer Flynn.

Absent: Dan Vander Pol (Treasurer).

Following a wonderful BBQ to kick off the new school year, the meeting was called to order at 6:36pm with opening prayer by Julie Franzen.

Minutes:

Approval of June 2019 General and Executive Minutes.

Motion to approve: Julie Franzen; Second: Steve Pope.

Minutes approved as revised/submitted.

No other actions or approvals were conducted.

President's Report, Bruce Kelly:

LLPC – New carpet and vinyl has been installed in one preschool room; Meet the Teacher is Tuesday 9/3; please pray for increased enrollment and new JK teacher's assistant. MVPC – The summer adventure program went well; the new expanded playground is almost finished and ready to go; an Ice Cream Social will be held 9/3; state requirements for preschool are changing dramatically, and schools will be facing increased costs; pray for enrollment; good news: staffing is stable. KVE – Fully staffed; bathroom renovation is almost done after hitting some snags; Back to School night will be 9/11; some curriculum order issues have delayed receipt of materials; Don Garnand is doing graduate school for his principal's certificate. MVE – Fully staffed following the recent hiring of a teacher for Maker Space and PE; pray for enrollment. RCMS – The middle school saw a recent bump in enrollment with several families new to the district; the music program going through a change as there will be no band/orchestra, only choir and worship, but Don is looking at how to bring band and/or orchestra back to RCMS. RCHS – Will hold an Open House later in year primarily to recruit new families; Mr. Boze is now certified in AP U.S. History, so that class will be offered for the first



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time in several years; Phil Conrod will teach classes in Computer Sciences, Cybersecurity, App and Gaming, Principles of Biomedical Science; Mr. Garnand will offer Speech and Debate class for 8th period; pray for enrollment; lastly, praise for some wonderful new teachers. Athletics – 571 volunteer hours were put into the Fireworks stand, which netted the \$5,300 for the Boosters (money being allocated to basketball, cheer and cross country); Angela Pope will be the new cheer coach, while Daniel Mallory will pull together cross country team; Tim will be taking more responsibility over middle school athletic programs with Don's assistance. Finances – Shifted accounts from Wells Fargo to Chase. FY 18/19 books will be closed September 2019; FY 19/20 looking at income of \$2.9M, about \$480k less than FY 18/19. Technology – prayer for Michael Ahlen, who threw out his back; all computers have migrated to Windows 10; in the process of implementing 110 new Chromebooks, along with charging carts; upgrades at RCHS include 3D printers, HD projectors, new graphics cards and RAM; servers continue to be on borrowed time; praise for generous donations that have helped purchase new equipment. President – Thankful for facilities improvements at MVE, KVE, RCHS, and the district office; we now have a third shuttle bus, and all will have the new RCS logo; Bruce is hoping to start a Parent Ambassador program tied to district families' churches; he is also looking at co-hosting Journey of Generosity 22-hour retreat (see GenerousGiving.org); praise for God's provision for staffing, 58 new district students, K-5 Summer Adventure program; Boeing donors \$9,800; Golf Tournament registrations very encouraging.

Open discussion time with attendees:

- 1) A question was raised about what the new preschool legislation entails. Carol answered that the state wants to improve the quality of childcare, which requires new certifications (which most long-time teachers can't do). She said that it looks like legislators will grandfather in some schools/teachers, but nothing is guaranteed.
- 2) A question was asked about safety measures at the campuses and how they are being maintained. There are monthly safety drills (including active shooter drills), and cameras are installed at MVE and KVE/RCMS for increased visibility/security. Also, there is twice-a-year reporting and inspection.

General session closed at 7:49pm with prayer by Bruce.

Next General Board Meeting September 24th, 6:00pm – location MVE gym.