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GENERAL MEETING- BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 26, 2022 – Virtual Meeting, 6:00pm

Type of meeting: General Board meeting with Directors and President, open to public.

Facilitator: Julie Franzen (Chair). Board Members: Steve Pope (Vice Chair), Dan Vander Pol (Treasurer), Rick Rosenkranz (Meeting Secretary), Mark Hargrove, Darryl D'Ambrosio. School President: Bruce Kelly. Attendees: Carol Meeuwse, David Glass, Don Garnand, Vicki Shultz, Caramel Moore, Heidi Bach, Jessie Mriglot, Loren Button, Jon Bach, Sigrid Jones, Lara Malanca, Laurel (last name unknown).

Board Members Absent: None.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm with opening prayer by Julie Franzen.

Minutes Approval:

Approval of November 2021 General and Executive Minutes. Motion to approve: Darryl D'Ambrosio. Seconded: Dan Vander Pol. Minutes approved as revised/submitted by unanimous vocal vote.

No other actions or approvals were conducted.

President's Report – Bruce Kelly and School Principals:

LPPC – Carol Meeuwse reported that Covid exposures caused her campus to close for ten days, during which the vaccinated staff cleaned and did lesson planning/preparation. Julie Franzen asked if Carol had plans for how to spend the DCYF grant money and what the timing was in spending it; Carol replied that there were categories for what they could and couldn't spend the funds for, and that Al Stever had created spreadsheets to track/handle the different spending buckets. Grant money must be spent in one year: December 1, 2021 to December 1, 2022.

MVPC –David Glass reported some frustrations in that it seems whenever he hires someone, someone else leaves. He needs a larger, more stable staff; as it is now, if just a couple of teachers call out sick it could impact his ability to remain open. Thus far, they've been able to remain open and avoid quarantining.

MVE – David reported that a sewage backup impacted several areas and required professional cleaning; the sewage issue still needs a permanent fix. So far they've been able to avoid Covid closures. They will be putting up new basketball hoops soon to replace the ones that were too heavy for the gym.

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KVE – Don Garnand reported that a contract was offered to and accepted by someone to lead the K-6 music program at both KVE and MVE, splitting their time between the two. Don launched two programs: 1) KVE Honor Corp to teach 5th and 6th graders how to raise, lower and fold flags; and 2) Mustang Moments, allowing staff to recognize students when they do something exceptionally positive. Don is working with David in redesigning elementary report cards. As with all levels of education at RCS, there is much need for substitute teachers. One HVAC is dying, with an estimate coming. No Covid closures, but staff is struggling.

RCMS – Bruce Kelly reported for Dave Rehnberg. Sophie Ramey has moved into the full-time English position to replace Rachel Rodriguez, who relocated back to Texas. Bruce believes the move of RCMS has been extremely positive as he sees a lot of collaboration between teachers and kids of both the middle school and high school. Three new students enrolled over Christmas break.

RGHS – Bruce reporting for Dave. Philip Benson is joining the staff as Biology, Marine Biology and Physical Science teacher, and his skill set is such that other electives will be available in the future. High school had to close due to Covid issues. Homecoming dance was held in mid-January. Substitute teachers needed.

RCS-wide – Current enrollment end of January '22: 388. (Beginning of year, 8/31/21: 385.)

Athletics – Bruce reporting for Marcus Johnson. Homecoming games held for both boys and girls basketball. Coach Mike Rians out on medical leave; please pray for him.

Tech – Loren Button reported having his own medical issues which kept him working from home, so most major IT projects are on hold. District office server is close to dying, so he is working with Matthew Ahlen to fix. New Chromebooks are in hand, but he still needs to configure them before distributing.

HR – Sigrid Jones reported that Benefits Renewal Post Analysis showed us saving ~\$31K. Migration to ADP will help streamline the payroll process in the future.

Finances – Bruce reporting for Al Stever. November 2021 and December 2021 net income of up. YTD net loss is shrinking. No change in PPP loan forgiveness status.



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President's Items – Bruce Kelly reporting:

- 1) New course offerings at RCHS next fall will include a medical career pathway
- 2) An awning for the RCHS/RCMS front office is being manufactured.
- 3) Donations from several Boeing employees will be used to upgrade the RCHS Science Lab.
- 4) Rainier Christian Schools Fund will be opened to help with donations of non-cash assets.
- 5) Covid fatigue and staff shortages are impacting all campuses; please pray for everyone!

Open discussion time with attendees:

- 1) None.

General session closed at 7:00pm with prayer by Bruce.

Next General Board Meeting: February 22, 2022, 6:00pm – location KVE (or via virtual).