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GENERAL MEETING- BOARD OF DIRECTORS

November 26th, 2019 – KVE/RCMS, 6:00pm

Type of meeting: General Board meeting with Directors and President, open to public.
Facilitator: Julie Franzen (Vice Chair). Board Members: Dan Vander Pol (Treasurer), Rick Rosenkranz (Meeting Secretary), Steve Pope, Mark Hargrove. School President: Bruce Kelly.
Attendees: Al Stever, Sigrid Jones, Carol Meeuwse, Melody Dipple, David Glass, Don Garnand, April Vander Pol, Angela Pope, Lexie Pope, Kylie Pope, Darryl D'Ambrosio, Phynisha Moss, Sarah Jackson, Dave Rehnberg.
Absent: Kent Bruce (Chair).

The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm with opening prayer by Rick Rosenkranz.

Minutes:

Approval of October 2019 General and Executive Minutes. Motion to approve: Steve Pope; Second: Dan Vander Pol. Minutes approved as revised/submitted.
No other actions or approvals were conducted.

President's Report, Bruce Kelly:

LLPC – State licensor program evaluation expected by end of October will move to sometime next year as the Department of Early Learning has changed its fiscal calendar. We are making updates to playground (mechanical closing gates, play chips) to meet new licensing requirements.

MVPC – Working on staff unity, teamwork, and the sharing of ideas and procedures to make preschool better for the kids. A shout-out to Patty Edwards for her help in seeing needs within the school and finding ways to help.

KVE – The heater in Mrs. Fail's room has gone out, the cost to replace is \$16k, and Mr. Garnand is looking for another estimate; a generous gift was given to help towards a replacement. Praise: Dave Neveu doing better and is at home.

MVE – The PTF has come up with a plan to use some funds that have been held in perpetuity to move forward on some projects at the campus, including a storage room near the gym. Continue to pray for Mrs. Kuro, who is still not at work. The elementary team has done some nice team-building activities recently.



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RCMS – Implementing a new discipline system to get students to reflect on behavior via writing. The boys’ basketball team is doing well. Exploring after school club ideas to help kids have more opportunities to engage after school. Good conferences with parents, helping move toward partnerships as an avenue to student academic success.

RCMS — We expect two new International students to join 2nd semester. Recently completed NHS service project with Vine Maple Place, and the NHS will also serve Union Gospel Mission by passing out food and blankets in downtown Seattle. Enhanced focus on student safety, including earthquake and lockdown procedures.

There was a lengthy Shuttle Bus/transportation discussion: Need shuttle drivers for sports; Bruce Kelly is teaching potential drivers before they are allowed to drive our kids; currently only the boys basketball team has a driver; no driver for girls b-ball or cheer squad; much discussion about sports transportation issues; Sigrid said that there’s a list of shuttle drivers at all campuses at district office and maybe one of them could help; Bruce will have Tim look into it.

RCS district-wide – Enrollment has currently stabilized at 391, up from beginning of year 368.

Athletics – Placed 7 athletes on all-star teams (football, volleyball, cross country). New basketball uniforms. Looking for softball coach and volleyball coach; two potential softball coaches, and Brian Christian has agreed to help. Praise: Tim’s mom and dad are both doing better.

Finances – Fiscal YTD net loss = -\$125,800. Well-Fargo account will be completely closed out by January 2020, which will complete our shift to Chase. We are continuing to adjust our fundraising process to a needs-based fundraising rather than the previous method of holding fundraisers to raise funds to store in an account for future use.

Human Resources – ACA audits for 1095 filings continues, with reminders being sent to employees to confirm/update info for W-2 and 1095s. Insurance changes will impact Voluntary LT Insurance and Dental costs.

Tech – With the widespread distribution of Chromebooks complete, some are now in need of repairs; most being handled in-house, intern is helping. Might implement an “insurance” option for parents to purchase should Chromebook need expensive repair.

President’s office – We have new signs at RCHS (and eventually RCS-wide) thanks to Alumni donations. Philanthropy Task Force in work to launch in January 2020 to solicit funds for Multipurpose center at KVE campus. Bruce would like to make a 90 second “Welcome to RCS” video for the website. Bruce attended a meeting with two other Christian high schools (Seattle

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Christian, Pacific Christian Academy) to scope out partnerships and synergy. We are moving forward on 4:1 program option regarding 35 acre parcel at Maple Valley campus (to convert to 4:1, which would increase our asking price); Integrity LLC and Curtis Lang Homes are interested in the property.

Open discussion time with attendees:

- 1) A concern was raised about the symbols/imagery that is used during Thanksgiving programs to make sure we stay away from potentially racially charged symbols (like headdresses), or maybe using those symbols as teaching moments as to who and what they represent.

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

Next General Board Meeting January 28th, 6:00pm – location MVE gym.