

Rock County Christian School
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
November 26, 2012

Board members present: Marc Grindle, Linda Ross, Jackie Borgwardt, Wendy Champlin, Gary Builta, Matt Finnegan and Bill Muether.

Staff members present: Tim Befus, Bob Cerniglia and Linda Hutson.

Guests: Fisher Ross and his mom, Linda. Fisher was recognized as Student of the Month for November.

Jackie lead devotions from Psalm 92:1-5. Why should we give thanks to the Lord? We give thanks because of all He has done for us. Giving thanks strengthens our faith and refreshes our relationship with Him. Thank Him and praise His name for His faithfulness and for sending His Son to save us from our sins. Be mindful of what you pray for. Don't be self-centered in your prayers.

Motion made and seconded to approve the October school board minutes as amended. Minutes approved by unanimous vote.

At this point in the meeting, a motion was made and approved to move to the executive session. Due to confidentiality of matters discussed, executive minutes are reported separately and are not posted to the school website.

Following the executive session, Linda Ross moved to return to the regular portion of the meeting. Marc seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Befus presented the following in his Administrator's Report:

- Parent/teacher conferences were held November 8-9.
- Teacher evaluations are underway.
- Senior class hosted a well-attended Fall Festival at the Janesville campus on October 26th.
- The November 3rd Bowlathon netted \$10K (budget was \$11K).
- Budget preparation underway for the 2013-14 school year. Review and approval by the school board to occur at the December meeting. The deficit may be less than projected due to the arrival of new foreign students from China (1) and Costa Rica (2) in January.
- Revisions have been made to the proposed coordinated dress policy. Second vote by the board to ratify the policy to take place at the December meeting.
- Plans are underway for the March 7th school banquet at the Rock Valley Chapel.
- Basketball season has begun.

The following team reports were presented:

Academic Excellence – No report. Team has not met since last board meeting. Next meeting scheduled for December 5th.

Spiritual Maturity – Team met November 15th and the following was reported. Daily prayer and devotions for students at the high school are progressing well. Only a few students were observed to not be participating. Mr. Thompson is monitoring. Team is still working on gathering a list of families not attending church. The school administration will contact these families after the list is completed. Mr. Thompson is reminding our athletic coaches via emails to conduct devotions. Spiritually strong athletes are encouraged to assist. Encouraging notes have been sent to our mentors. A “spiritual boost” activity is being planned for teachers in January. Team is working on Spiritual Emphasis Week. Miss Waldner is working the effort at the Janesville campus. Mrs. Ray will be speaking. At the Beloit campus, Mr. Thompson wants to do something different with small groups. Several teachers need to turn in their community service plans. Mr. Befus did a fine job painting “To God be the Glory” in the Beloit gym.

Godly Stewardship – Team met November 1st. Work on the Beloit campus bathroom continues. Matt is getting more bids for the Janesville campus insulation project. Still awaiting word on the grant request for the Janesville campus parking lot and landscaping. Team is working on alumni contact information. Volunteers needed for the banquet. Team is looking at ways to compensate for the \$125K annuity the school has been relying on each year for the past eight years. Only two years remaining on this generous estate donation. Tuition increase, reduced financial aid and reduced staff are possible outcomes if more donors are not found. Increased enrollment will be necessary.

Community Relations – Team met November 6th. Program to mentor new families being discussed. For October, Central Christian Church was church of the month and Old Fashion Bakery was business of the month. School participated in the Beloit Christmas Parade on November 23rd. Team is discussing how to get more families involved in activities. Planning for church visits next spring to begin after Christmas break. Team is working to get RCCS more noticeable to the community through publication of school activities in local newspapers.

Old Business: Revisions to the dress code was discussed. Information about the proposed dress code can be found on the school website.

New Business: Board revised the new dress policy which can be found on the school website.

Next meeting scheduled for December 20th at 4 PM.

Matt motioned to adjourn for the evening. Gary seconded. Motion passed.