

Rock County Christian School
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
December 16, 2013

Board members present: Phil Allen, Linda Ross, Jackie Borgwardt, Bryan Potts and Bill Muether. Absent: Matt Finnegan and Gary Builta.

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

Guests: Rebecca Evans and her father and mother, Dannie and Joeann. Rebecca was recognized as Student of the Month for December.

1. The meeting began with prayer by board members.
2. Jackie lead devotions from Romans 5:3-5 and 8:18 and spoke about examples of suffering many of us experience in our lives. We tend to ask ourselves why this happens to God's people. We need to remember that all things are done for His glory and to put our trust in him.
3. A motion was moved and seconded to accept the November school board minutes as amended. Minutes approved by unanimous vote.
4. School updates were provided by the principals. Mr. Cerniglia mentioned that the student council is busy designing a school flag. The school is getting ready for the annual homecoming events scheduled for January. The sports program is doing well with many basketball games scheduled after the holidays. On Friday, the students will be caroling at a local nursing home to be followed by bowling. The choir performance at the Eclipse Center was very good and well attended. Mrs. Hutson reported a good turnout at the Christmas program last Friday evening. The Christmas Pageant is scheduled for this Friday at 2 PM. The fifth graders are busy working on a school newspaper.
5. Mr. Befus presented the following in his Administrator's Report:
 - First audit for accreditation has been completed. RCCS is registered for the School Choice Program 2014-15.
 - RCCS received fifty desktop and twenty laptops to replace those not working.
 - Christmas break begins Dec. 20th.
 - Mission meeting scheduled for Dec. 21st as well as an outing to Chicago for our international students.
 - A staff/alumni activity is scheduled for Dec. 30th at 3 PM.
 - PTF YMCA night is Jan. 18th.
 - Financial outlook for the current school year projects a surplus of \$55K.
 - An IT team has been hired to address future computer and other technical issues.
 - School to hire an elementary principal to replace Mrs. Hutson who is retiring at the end of the school year. Two other positions will need to be filled: bookkeeper (Mrs. Amerson is retiring) and a tech teacher.
 - Various documents have been submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) as required for accreditation: 2014 school calendar, revised handbooks, 2014 budget and promotional documents.
 - Mrs. Befus will be attending a one day conference for the School Choice Program in Milwaukee.

The following team reports were presented:

Academic Excellence – Team met Dec. 4th. On-line Nexus training opportunities were discussed. Math curriculum review begins in January. An AP literature course is planned for the next school year. Requirement to mandate speech meet participation for all students being discussed. RCCS is looking for math and reading volunteer tutors. A musical is planned for the spring. Next meeting scheduled for Jan. 15th.

Spiritual Maturity – No report. Team did not meet in December.

Godly Stewardship – Team met Dec. 13th to review the budget with Mr. Befus for the next school year. Next month, team will devote meeting time to the 2014 school banquet.

Community Relations – During recent PTF meetings, discussions ensued to encourage community relations within the school. Bryan discussed ideas he has to find donors. Team is working on gym advertising. The Business of the Month for December is Allstate Construction. Youth Pastor of the Month is Steve Brandon from Rock Valley Church.

Old Business: Second vote passed for staff training reimbursement.

New Business: Budget for the 2014-15 school year to be reviewed and discussed at the executive session.

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.