

Rock County Christian School
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2011

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

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

Bill opened the meeting with devotions from 1 John 5:4, 5 and 1 Corinthians 15:57. Don't be overcome by the world. Faith in Christ's saving work is the cause for victory. Don't despair when things go wrong because God will not abandon us. Bill followed this with prayer.

Guests: Miranda Steiner and her father, Stacey. Miranda was recognized as RCCS Student of the Month for September.

Joe made a motion to approve the July school board minutes. Gary seconded. Minutes approved by unanimous vote.

Tim presented the following in his Administrator's Report:

- It was agreed that the recent retreat was the best ever. Students conducted themselves properly and represented the school well.
- Consensus is the school is off to a good start. Disciplinary actions have been minimal and there is much optimism that this will be a great year. The record number of disciplinary actions taken in the last school year has been a source for concern by the administration.
- All recent activities went well. The Labor Day Parade was well attended. There was good attendance at Parent's Night on 8/30 with the Beloit campus doing slightly better than Janesville.
- Arrival of Chinese exchange student on-hold pending issuance of a visa.
- Projected deficit for this school year is \$45K (last year's projection was \$38K).
- Upcoming dates: Mission trip meeting #1 9/24, prayer meeting "Meet Me at the Pole" 9/28, Grandparent's Day 10/14, Teacher Convention 10/20-21, Fall Association Meeting 10/24, Apple Pie Day 10/27.

The following team reports were presented:

Academic Excellence – Team met Sep 7th. Team welcomed Samantha Seay, our new English and Literature teacher, to the committee. The team's vision, objectives and long range plans and projections were discussed as set forth at the recent school board retreat. Team is exploring AP courses and vocational training. Language Arts will be this year's curriculum review. Team is working on ACSI Standard 6.0. Next meeting scheduled for Oct 12th.

Spiritual Maturity – Team met Aug 31st and the following was discussed: "See You at the Pole" on 9/28 to be led by the leadership class, \$600 raised at the recent pancake breakfast for the 2012 Costa Rica mission trip, class community service projects to help local businesses that support RCCS were discussed, daily devotions by students during school day began this year, and committee is working with the Booster Club to get gym banners to promote character.

Meeting scheduled for Sep 29th with local pastors to promote church relations. Breakfast at the Beloit campus scheduled for Oct 8th to discuss cooperation with local churches.

Godly Stewardship – Team is working to get more insulation at the Janesville campus with funding provided from grants. Plan is to provide one additional smartboard to each campus. Team is exploring how to reduce monthly tuition payment delinquencies from 4-5% to 2% or less. Team is working on ACSI Standard 10.

Community Relations – Team chaired by Gary with Todd Townsend, Phil Allen and Carol Lathers as members. Plan is to improve upon how team functioned in the past and not to “reinvent the wheel”. Team would like see more mention of RCCS in the media (press releases, etc.) and become more involved in community events like the Beloit Christmas Parade and tree lighting ceremony. Another idea is to develop a mentoring program for new families. Team will explore how to promote the school to bring in new families and how to retain our present families. Team plans to work one and one with local pastors.

Old Business: Repeated failure of a small number of families to pay monthly tuition on time is a continuing cause of concern for the administration. Various ideas were discussed on how best to deal with this recurring problem. Administration will monitor this in the coming months to determine if further action is necessary.

New Business: Several school board policies are under review for possible revision. Bill indicated the school’s constitution is more than twenty years old. The board will review and revise these documents as necessary in the upcoming months.

Next board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 11, at 6:30 (Beloit campus).

Linda R. motioned to move to the executive portion of the meeting. Gary seconded. Motion approved.