

"Sharing the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, preparing hearts and minds to impact the world for Him!"



Clinton Christian Academy Board Notes

December 14, 2020

The CCA Board of Directors met in the CCA Art Room for their regular monthly business meeting on Monday, December 14. The meeting began with the Opening Prayer given by Kathy Harrison Jeff Lowe shared the devotion which focused upon prayer and its importance during Board meetings. James 5:16 and Nehemiah 2:4-5 were included in this devotion. Prayer requests were shared. The minutes from November 16 were approved. The financial reports and bills from the month of November were reviewed and approved.

- Mrs. Ritchie reported that Shawn Custer has completed the Exterior Stairs to the Band/Music room. This completes all of the items that the Board has approved for this beautiful instructional area—now also much safer in the event of a fire or intruder. The lock on the exterior door has been re-keyed to the master key. Dennis Maupin still has to reinstall the downspout once the fittings he has ordered arrive.
- Mrs. Ritchie and the Board continued their discussion about improving internet access and speed at CCA. Commercial Grade Hotspots for the school are being investigated as a cost-effective means of improving internet services. The poor internet speed currently utilized and the increasing number of devices used at the school by both students and staff make this item of business on the agenda a priority over the next few months as the Board continues planning for the next school year. Please pray that God will send us the best solution for this issue!

BOARD ACTION IN DECEMBER

The Board approved payment of hourly employees for the work time missed during the nine (9) day school closing that occurred in late Oct. and early Nov. This payment was made possible due to the small amount of funds the Board set aside to address COVID-related circumstances that might arise during the school year. Thank you, hourly employees, for your dedication to the ministry of CCA.

BOARD REVIEWS STUDENT AND STAFF ATTENDANCE

The number of absences for students and staff saw a dramatic increase during the first semester when the number of families experiencing illness due to either the contraction of the covid virus or quarantining due to direct contact with someone having the virus. Student absences in Sept. averaged at 3.2 absences per day and the Oct. average was 7 absences per day. Student absences peaked at 17 absences for the day on Oct. 26. A high number of staff illnesses that same week and the inability to find enough substitutes for the classrooms led to the school closure for the next 9 school days. School resumed on Nov 9-13 with student absences averaging 27 that week, but quickly improved as many students came back from quarantine over the next couple of weeks, resulting in November student absences averaging at 12.5. December looks to be back on track with student absences averaging 4 per day for the week of Dec. 7-11. This is a definite "PRAISE" to have our absences back to normal! The same is true of our staff. We are thankful that all of our CCA Family is doing well!