



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

Clinton Christian Academy Board Notes

September 18, 2023

The CCA Board of Directors met in the CCA Art Room for their regular monthly business meeting on Monday, September 18. The meeting began with the opening prayer given by Kathy Harrison.

Allen Huff gave this month's devotion. This devotion focused around salvation for infants/young children or adults with disabilities. Discussion focused around God's gracious intervention to all humanity—including infants, born and unborn, young children or disabled individuals who are not able to understand the process of salvation (sin, repentance, redemption through Christ, and eternal life) as supported with the following scriptures: Romans 5:12, Psalms 51:5, Matthew 18:14, Romans 5:18-19; 2 Samuel 12:15-22; and Isaiah 7:13-17. What a privilege it is to serve a God whose character suggests that He would make provision for those who may not be able to comprehend or understand salvation (young children, handicapped individuals with limited faculties)! We serve an awesome God!

The financial reports and bills from the month of August were reviewed and approved. Prayer requests were shared.

- Mrs. Ritchie reported that enrollment at CCA has reached an all-time high with 180 students (K4-12th grade). Yay God! There is currently a waiting list with 15 students who would like to enroll, but are unable to do so because of full classes. Pray that God will guide and give discernment about facilities expansion to CCA's Board and Administration!
- The administration updated the Board with regard to the playground project. CCA is still awaiting final approval from DNR on the \$25,000 grant awarded by Quad Lakes Waste Management Department. Final approval is expected any day now and then both projects (\$38,000 DNR Grant & \$25,000 Quad Lakes Grant) will be completed with the pour in place surfacing at the same time by the Ecoturf Company from Kansas City, MO. What a blessing to have $\frac{3}{4}$ of our playground area covered in the new rubber surfacing. The playground will be closed for a few days to accomplish this big project sometime very soon.
- The administration reported that CISC has almost completed the new intercom system. There are still a number of speakers that are not functioning yet, but the bells have been programmed for the Upper School and our facility will soon be a much safer place because of this facility improvement project!

SEPTEMBER BOARD DISCUSSION

- The Board was presented with the annual insurance rates and coverage from Guide One Insurance Company for the 2023-24 school year. School insurance covers property, contents, general liability, crime, auto (bus/van), worker's compensation, and employee liability. This year's premium totaled \$39,256 dollars, paid in quarterly installments. Insurance is bid out every five years and will be up for bid in 2025 to be sure our coverage and rates are the very best possible.
- The Board hired architect Chris Ball from Springfield, MO at last month's meeting to help finalize a master plan for possible future expansion. The administration reported that Mr. Ball visited to tour the facility and discussed the facility needs of the school on Tuesday, August 26. Facility needs discussed included a new cafeteria with commercial kitchen, additional classroom spaces, additional group restrooms, and additional office spaces. Mr. Ball requested that a survey be completed of the school property so that the master plan could be completed. The surveyor is scheduled to visit CCA sometime in the next two weeks. Mr. Ball hopes to attend the October 9 board meeting to update the board with his recommendations for a master plan if all goes well between now and then. Please be in prayer that God will provide wisdom and guidance to the architect, Board and Administration as we prioritize areas of facility expansion.
- The administration reported that the three days of Inservice Training held with the staff from August 29-31 was productive. Inspirational Speakers were Kyle Adkins, Pat Findley, Lori Walton, and Michael Lyons from Abeka. Teachers received training in CPR, Child Sexual Abuse, Promethean Boards, and reviewed spring achievement test data. The 2023 Parent Survey results were reviewed with areas of improvement identified.