



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

Clinton Christian Academy Board Notes

Jan. 13, 2025

The CCA Board of Directors met in the CCA Art Room for their regular monthly business meeting on Monday, Jan. 13. The meeting began with the opening prayer given by Barry Bullock.

Robin Ritchie delivered a devotion titled "Living Out God's Purpose in our Leadership," focusing on the Halverson Benediction, which emphasizes that God has a purpose for us in every place we go. She reminded attendees that as leaders in a Christian school, we are entrusted with shaping the next generation. The devotion highlighted three truths: (1) God has a purpose for each of us (Jeremiah 29:11), (2) We are called according to His purpose (Romans 8:28), and (3) Every action is an opportunity to glorify God (1 Corinthians 10:31, Colossians 3:23-24). These truths assure us that God has placed us at CCA "for such a time as this" to lead with His grace, love, and power.

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

➤ Mrs. Hyke presented two options for a new Homeschool Athlete policy to be implemented in the 2025-26 school year, aligned with MOKAN, MCSAA, and MSHSAA guidelines. The policy will also include local guidelines for homeschool athletes at the 5/6 and 7/8 grade levels. Key considerations included CCA's mission to foster discipleship, the impact on practice and game time for CCA students, and potential benefits for advanced students and overall team dynamics. Feedback from Coaches Adams and Manning regarding the proposed policy options was shared. The Board will review and finalize the policy at the February 10 meeting.

- Jeff Lowe provided an update on the CCA Capital Campaign, which launched Jan. 13. Brochures and pledge sheets are ready for distribution, and a campaign video was shown. Over the next eight weeks, committee members will meet one-on-one with 90 potential investors to present the case and collect pledges, aiming to complete all "asks" before the auction. Jeff requested daily prayers for the committee members. The current phase focuses on building anticipation for public donations. The Board ended this portion of the meeting with a prayer for guidance in alignment with God's will be accomplished in this campaign.
- Mrs. Hyke presented the MCSCAA state tournament dates for the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years, which conflict with the CCA Auction. The Board agreed to move the auction to the first Saturday in March for those years.

JANUARY BOARD DISCUSSION

- **Mrs. Hyke presented revisions to the A+ Handbook, addressing changes in A+ Scholarship criteria from the MO Department of Higher Education & Workforce Development (MDHEWD) and clarifying alignment with MDHEWD guidelines. The Board will review and approve these revisions at the February 10 meeting.**
- **The Board discussed the Volunteer Program based on recommendations from the Subcommittee (Elroy Schumacher, Tiffany Thornton, and Allen Huff), making a few minor adjustments. Mrs. Ritchie was tasked with creating a form outlining the CCA Service Hours Program for 2025-26, which will be presented for approval at the February 10 meeting.**
- **Mrs. Ritchie shared feedback from 41 staff and parents about a potential change to the 2025-26 school year calendar. Thirty-one favored starting in August for more breaks, while nine preferred the current calendar. The Board reviewed the feedback and agreed to start the 2025-26 school year in August. Mrs. Ritchie will prepare a tentative calendar for approval at the February 10 meeting.**