

BOARD NOTES

April 2008

In Attendance: Fred Whitaker (Chair), Andrea Dabrow, Mary Ann McCuistion, Lis Hohman, Jason Neben, Andrea Jensen (Auxiliary), Dave Stuewe (Interim Principal) Absent: Daryl Cole

Jason Neben led the opening devotion.

The Agenda was moved and approved without any changes.

Lexi Brown submitted a written Student Leadership report.

Mary Brewer gave a presentation on the basics of GATE education programs.

Announcements / Dates

- A. Apr. 22, Voters' Mtg. (7:30 pm)
- B. Apr. 27-May 2, 8th Grade Wash. DC / NYC trip
- C. May 2, 4th Quarter Mid-Quarter
- D. May 10, Silent Auction
- E. May 18, Confirmation
- F. May 20-23, MS TEE Week
- G. May 27-29, 8th Grade Play

March 19, 2008 Minutes were moved and approved with a correction to the name Spencer Peregoy.

There was significant discussion regarding the two Principal candidates and their visits. Both candidates were recognized to have outstanding qualities and the board recognized that both would be viable candidates to lead St. John's Lutheran School. After a close vote the board made its recommendations to the call committee. Subsequent to the call committee meeting the board unanimously ratified the call committee's decision to call Randy Einem as principal.

Current enrollment for 2008-2009 is 673. There is a current advertisement in yellow pages, yellow book and Amerikids. The third recruiting postcard will go out in May.

"ad hoc" admissions of family members if class size is full – there was discussion regarding amending the admissions procedures when classes are full. No action was taken.

Faculty/Staff Updates were discussed and it was moved and approved to form a call committee for a Middle School should a vacancy occur. Mary Ann McCuistion has visited all three classrooms in Grade 3, and discussed areas for improvement and follow up visits will continue by both Dave and Mary Ann.

Additional funds have been added to the budget for tuition assistance that was forecast to come from the school endowment. The forecasted amount from the endowment is now lower due to reduction in interest rates.

The new organizational chart has been sent to the congregation and will be voted on at the congregational meeting. There was discussion regarding the nomination of school board members in the new by-laws. The nomination process appears to have been changed limiting the way an individual can be nominated for election. Fred will seek clarification.

The proposal for the improvement to the athletic field and lunch area will go before the congregation at the next congregational meeting.

Campus Security – Staff will be directed to follow up on a security concern communicated to the chairman.

Tuition Planning for 3 years following 08-09 was tabled until the May meeting.

Andrea Jensen submitted a written School Auxiliary report.

Endowment Committee and Technology Task Force – No report.

Interim Principal – No report.

Next Meeting ~ May 28, 2008

Adjournment With Closing Prayer