

# LANSING CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Board Meeting

July 19, 2010

## MINUTES

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### **Board Members Present:**

Marv Helmker  
Ken Granger  
Chris Cooper  
Rod Moore  
David Chapman  
Vickie Parmer  
Michael VandeHaar  
Troy Jamieson  
Shari Nussdorfer

### **Administrators:**

Pam Campbell, Superintendent  
Mary Dunsmore  
Carol Feuss

1. **Call to Order: 7:00 p.m.** Pam Campbell
2. **Election of Board Officers for 2010-2011** Pam Campbell  
LCS Board President: Ken Granger  
LCS Board Secretary: Shari Nussdorfer
3. **Devotions and Prayer** Marv Helmker
4. **6/21/10 Board Meeting Minutes**  
**MOTION:** To approve the 6/21/2010 Board Minutes as presented.  
**Motion: PASSED**
5. **Public Comment**  
There were no public comments
6. **Old Business**  
Report on status of Boy Scout Troop 911 Charter Rod Moore  
Rod reports that the parent committee for Boy Scout Troop 911 held a meeting this past week. Options and plans were discussed; changes have been made. The original Charter Organization will be continuing to sponsor the troop. The request for LCS to sponsor the troop charter has been withdrawn.
7. **Administrative Reports**  
**Superintendent Report** Pam Campbell
  - Report on LCS student success on AP exams in 2010. Many students achieved a score of 3 or higher. 3 is a passing score; however most colleges require a 4 or 5 to award college credit for the course tested. Fewer students took AP exams this year compared to last year (60 in 2010; 85 in 2009). Next year we will offer AP classes in Chemistry and Statistics.

- Parent Council is evolving into the new LCS Hospitality Association. Parents are reshaping and rebuilding this vital part of our volunteer program with the hopes of making parent involvement more appealing and friendlier for existing and new families.
- Update on some staffing changes which will be announced to families when Fall welcome letters are sent out.
- Chapel Program updates—Chapel committees at both the MS and HS levels have been meeting with local Youth Pastors to develop ideas for the 2010-11 program. The first chapel of the week will feature a challenging speaker and the second will likely be student led.
- The HS Secretary position has not been filled yet. Interviews will continue in the coming weeks.
- Justin Terry will be taking on the position of Boys Varsity Basketball Coach. Norm Randall will continue with the Girls Varsity team.
- LCS leadership will be heading to the CSI International Convention in Chicago the end of July.

### **LCS Foundation**

### **Carol Feuss**

Carol made note many significant blessings over the past year that have allowed the Foundation to accomplish amazing things, even in our current economic climate. The gift that allowed LCS to pay off our building mortgage has allowed the Foundation to focus on more scholarships, program enhancements and future planning.

- Scholarship allocations have increased from \$100,000 / year to \$200,000 / year
- June 2010 gifts alone totaled over \$65,000 which included scholarship donations and fulfillment of pledges.
- The Scholarship committees have announced awards for 2010-11 and the thanks from recipient families are pouring in.
- The new donation format on the 2010-11 Registration forms has been very successful. Families have made financial commitments totaling over \$45,000.
- Fiscal year-end donation request letters will be mailed in July.
- The Foundation thanks the entire LCS donor community!

### **Financials**

### **Mary Dunsmore**

Year end reporting takes a bit more time and effort. The final year end report will be completed after all June transactions are accounted for.

- Enrollment Update: We have 483 FTEs today and continue to receive applications from new families. Our 2010-11 Budget is based on 530 FTEs.
- LCS Line of Credit is PAID OFF for the first time in 18 months.
- Accounts Receivable for the 2009-10 school year total about \$56,000 (from 43 families). Many of our families use July / August to catch up and some have applied for emergency/benevolence assistance. This balance will likely be significantly reduced by the end of August. As per LCS

- policy, families with an outstanding tuition balance will not be able to re-enroll children for the following year.
- Discussion of the Registration and Tuition charges for international students. Current practice was described. The question arose regarding how our international families fulfill the LCS requirement for Volunteer Service. It would seem appropriate to ask them for the same monetary contribution where actual volunteer hours cannot be accomplished. The Administrative team will consider this suggestion.

## **8. New Business**

a. The LCS Association Community Membership is reviewed and approved by the Board in August of each year. Shari will send out letters to all current community members asking for their intentions regarding continuation of their membership and updating signed Statement of Faith documents.

b. The formal contract for our Superintendent must be drawn up, signed and on file.

## **9. Adjournment of Open Session: 8:25 pm**

## **10. Board Self Evaluation**

## **11. Adjournment of Executive Session with prayer: 9:35 pm**

Minutes Respectfully Submitted,

Shari Nussdorfer, Board Secretary