

At Heritage Christian School, located in North Liberty, Iowa, we exist to serve Christ by partnering with parents to provide biblically faithful, academically excellent education. Our vision is to be a leader in developing passionate lifelong learners committed to Christ.

Heritage Christian School Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 26, 2024

Attendance

Board Members: Mary Palmer, Chad Hanneman, Lance VanWyk, Tim Insko, Scott Kallemeyn, Brad Beane

Staff: Brenda Wichhart, Rachel Super, Kristin Smith, Sarah Franje, Nichole McDonald

HoS: Brian Goodbar

Parents: Charlie and Angela Ruess

The meeting was called to order by Chad Hanneman at 6:01pm.

Consent Items

Reviewed Minutes from the July 2024 Board Meeting

Reviewed and Discussed July Financial Statements

Head of School Report

- First draft AAP for the September Board meeting
- Enrollment is at 216. Application is now electronic.
- Contracted with New Morning Media to produce video for HCS
- Extended Care staff is amazing, mostly staffed by the sophomore young women from SALT Company. Makenna Dickey is leading with excellence.
- New teacher Tft training is going well.
- Jeff Mattner will be doing Board Training on November 21, 2024

Curriculum Committee Report

- Textbook samples have been ordered or a plan to order samples with shorter review windows has been made.
- The curriculum subcommittee has been contacted and asked to add any suggestion for textbooks to the list
- The subcommittee will meet October 21 to review the philosophy statement and scope and sequence.
- We will use the rubrics from previous years to go through textbooks.
- The subcommittee will have until March 3rd to review textbooks and get their feedback to us.
- The subcommittee will select 2-3 textbooks for the whole curriculum committee to review.
- At this time, we will solicit association members to be on the committee to review the textbooks. The whole committee will have three weeks to look over the textbooks and provide their input.
- We will vote on March 24, 2025 using the rubrics and any comments the committee members have.
- Our goal is to present our textbook choice at the April 2025 board meeting.

Finance Committee

- We are running on budget except for maintenance due to air conditioning and painting.
- We are two months into comparable reporting from last year

Fundraising Committee Report

- Committee meet on September 12, 2014
- Date is set for February 22, 2025
- Venue is booked for Bella Sala
- Sub Committees have been formed
- Finalizing caterer, desert, auctioneer, and music
- Will begin fundraising this fall
- Next fundraising Committee meeting will be October 10, 2024

Master Facilities Planning Committee Report

- Met with the selected architect
- Worked through the timeline for the project
- Several members visited North Central Middle School and Christine Grant Elementary
- Virtual site tour with Pella Christian
- Selected Bishop for a site survey

The Board reviewed all consent items.

A motion was made by Chad Hanneman to approve all consent items as presented.

Mary Palmer seconded.

No discussion

Motion carried

Action Items

None

Discussion Items

Introduction to Teaching for Transformation

- Not all the curriculum used at Heritage is from Christian publishers so we are training teachers to teach through a Biblical lens.
- 4 Core Practices of Deep Hope, Story line, Flex Projects, Throughlines
- We want to invite our students and families into “The Story” of scripture
- Creation, Fall, Redemption, Renewal
- How can students live in The Story instead of the stories in the world around them

Board development discussion (“Holding the Principal/Head Accountable”) - Moved to the October Board Meeting

Finalize Board goals for 2024-2025- Moved to the October Board Meeting

Finalize Head of School goals for 2024-2025 - Moved to the October Board Meeting

Proposed Prayer Committee

- Create a Prayer Committee or incorporate into Heritage H.A.N.D.S.
- Meet regularly to:
 - Organize prayer partners for leadership
 - Pray for staff and families
 - Commit to daily prayer
 - Capital Campaign

Proposed Policy on Alcohol at Heritage Sponsored Activities

- Does there need to be alcohol served at Heritage Sponsored Events?
- Does this apply to all Heritage events such as dine out at restaurants.
- If the Board is hosting a dinner for someone and there is alcohol served.
- What are the Liability issues?
- Last year EFE was the first Heritage event that served alcohol.
- Does this need to be a board policy or can it just be a board decision
- More discussion at the October Board Meeting

Begin Annual Fund 2024 wish list - Moved to the October Board Meeting

Closing Devotion by Scott Kallemeyn

A motion was made by Chad Hanneman to adjourn.

Lance Van Wyk seconded.

No discussion

Motion carried

Submitted by Brad Beane