

Lynden Christian Board of Directors Summary—May 3, 2021

Darren Johnson led us in devotions challenging us to effective leadership. Acts 20:28 “Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock....” To lead well, we need to “watch over ourselves first,” to cultivate our personal devotional life, to commune with God. Abraham did this by making altars, seeking God first. But Isaac concentrated on building wells, and Jacob schemed for blessings. Over those three generations, relying on God became less important. This happens today as well: both generationally and within our personal lives. At first, we have close contact with God but later become more focused on programs, structures, and activities. We are reminded to build an altar, stay in close contact with God, rely on Him first and foremost. 111 years ago, LC was founded by seeking Him and His truth; LC cannot waver on these absolutes.

The board, admin, and staff are active in assessing needs for next year/s. We are excited for a projected growth in enrollment and planning for that growth in the fall. 2021-22 is the year for re-accreditation work to be done. Also, Lynden Christian is drafting a new Strategic Plan for the next 5 or more years. CACE (The Center for the Advancement of Christian Education) will facilitate this work by assessing our school on many levels: meeting with multiple focus groups (staff, admin, students, parents, supporters), visiting campus, evaluating surveys, checking financials, etc. Then a Strategic Plan will be completed giving LC direction for its goals and priorities in the coming years.

At the last meeting, the School Board held a conversation on the spiritual growth and flourishing of our students. We recognized the need for the interrelationship of home, school, and church in developing our children now and for the future: to be Jesus followers and transforming influencers.

We celebrate the near completion of a school year, with in-person teaching (for the most part) throughout this COVID pandemic. The School Board notes the efforts, stamina, and perseverance of all (staff, admin, families) who made this happen. And we thank God for His blessing on us.