

Lynden Christian Board of Directors Summary – Sept 14, 2021

Jon DeJong opened our meeting with a devotional that reminded us that Jesus is there in the middle of our troubles and tends to show up when we need him the most. We were encouraged and reminded of the promises of God and the unshakable hope He gives us. And about pulling together when life circumstances try to pull us apart.

Gary Kamps brought a report from the LC Endowment Committee, noting a recent \$680,000 estate gift to the endowment.

Dan Gibson led a discussion regarding the LC governance model which is called the Community Governance Model and we reviewed the responsibilities, roles, and focus of board members, administration and the appropriate lines of communication between parents, teachers, administration and the board.

Chris Rast reviewed our wellness protocols, the current Covid situation within the school, and the expectations of the County Health Dept. Paul and Chris presented a proposal to use some of the COVID-19 funds that we received last year and held in reserve, to be used to staff a wellness team similar to last year. After lengthy discussion the proposal was approved.

Paul will distribute an update on our wellness protocols for this school year and the board will draft a letter to the Society updating everyone on our current situation and ask for parents to support of all our efforts in a spirit of cooperation with focus on in-person, Christ-centered education.

We reviewed our current hiring process giving special attention to the application, interview, screening and reporting process on potential candidates. Several recommendations for improvement were made and a review of progress will continue.

The board reviewed the wording of the policy “no more than 10% unchurched families will be granted admission” and found that the current policy is not in conflict with the LC Constitution. But the Board committed to have further conversation to review this policy. The current percentage of unchurched families is less than 5%.

Strategic Planning continues and the Board will hold a special meeting to allow for thorough discussion of the progress and next steps in the process.