

Public Meeting Minutes for

Lynden Christian School Board

Jon DeJong, Chairman; Mike Smit, Secretary

Jan. 3, 2022 – 7:00 pm

LC High School Library

- I. Members present: Jon, Dan, Lori, Kathryn, Lisa, Brian, Leonard, Derek, Darren, TJ, Mike. Becky Bos via Zoom.
- II. Call to order
 - a. TJ Mellema led us with devotions.
 - b. Approval of consent agenda – Previous board minutes, Finance Committee, Tuition Committee, Transportation Committee, Building & Grounds, Education Committee, and Executive Committee minutes plus Administrator Reports (if applicable)
 - i. Dan – Need to replace a board development member; has a suggestion – BJ Westra.
 - ii. Correction of meeting time for Executive Committee – should be 11:00 a.m.

Jon asked for approval of consent agenda with items noted – Motion carried by voice vote.
- III. Dan recommended B.J. Westra to replace a retiring member of the Board Development Committee. Questions asked, discussion held.
 - a. **Jon asked for a voice vote to approve B.J. to fill the vacancy** – Motion carried by voice vote.
- IV. Mark Warren was invited to our meeting to lead a discussion designed to help us unpack and analyze the challenges we face as a board. His stated goal is to help leadership fulfill the mission of LC.
- V. Old Business
 - a. 'Special' Society Meeting – Proposal from Executive Committee – changes made by the board:
 - i. **Action item: Plan for 3 Group Society meetings Jan. 11, 26 and Feb. 1 to be held in the Middle School Gym. We will divide up the alphabet into thirds. People must sign up electronically for a time slot – speak 2 ½ minutes – will be timed. Paul will send out email invitations, but will give people the option to call in their reservation. We will record the event (need audio/video set-up).**
 - b. Discussion held regarding having first portion of board meetings open for public comment – **Tabled by consensus to discuss after the three Group Society Meetings.**
 - c. Society Meeting in March – **Date set for March 8.**
 - d. Strategic Planning – Paul & Kathryn are continuing to develop some sort of high level initial overview of the work we have done on Strategic Planning to give the Society an idea of our key goals and 5 year plan. We want to show a couple of key things from each of the four areas. **Kathryn will bring an improved draft we can finalize to show the society.**
 - e. Changes coming for RCW – and how will that affect LC in the areas of public minutes, developing an actual membership list of the Society, etc. **Paul and Dan will continue working on this together and report findings and recommendations to February board meeting.**
- VI. New Business
 - a. Family Discipline Policy being developed for next year – **Action Point: Following board input, Paul will bring back final wording to the board. Upon approval, this will become part of our admissions process.**
 - b. Annual Society Meeting – Elements of the meeting
 - i. Board Member Nominations and voting.

- ii. Budget proposal being worked on by Finance Committee
- iii. Strategic Planning update – see above.
- iv. RCW 24.03A – identify changes to governance, board member, board minutes, society membership, etc.

VII. Paul's Supt. Report

- a. Paul gave a current school wellness update and current health dept. guidelines.
- b. Gave an enrollment update and how things appear to be shaping up for next year.
- c. **Action Point – we will take up a discussion about considering a change to the long-standing policy of acceptance of a percentage of unchurched families at our next meeting.**

VIII. Other items

- a. Next meeting scheduled for Feb. 7, 2022

IX. Adjournment

- a. Meeting ended at 12:20 a.m., Jan. 4th
- b. Lori Tevelde closed with prayer.

Jon DeJong

Mike Smit

(President)

(Secretary)