

Zion Christian School Board Meeting Minutes

January 27, 2009 @ 7:00 PM

- 1) Opening devotions were led by board president, Craig Baker, by reading from Romans 11: 33-36 and leading in prayer
- 2) Roll Call – All board members present
- 3) The minutes of the November 25, 2008 board meeting and the 12/11/08 phone survey were approved
- 4) Correspondence - None:
- 5) Administrator's Written Report: Jason Heerema absent due to coaching basketball
 - a) New promotional folders have arrived – covered by donation
 - b) Upgrade to handbook covers complete
 - c) Newsletter nearly complete
 - d) Preschool brochure design underway by designer
 - e) New fundraising software conversion is complete with Cathy Diemer's assistance
 - f) Several potential parents inquiring into Zion
 - g) Added one student from Byron Center Public School
 - h) Interest is high for next year
 - i) Working to collect overdue tuition accounts
 - j) Looking at contingency plans for fundraising/cost savings
 - k) Writing manual proceeding well after input from English department
 - l) Mark Ondersma is working out well in the office
 - m) New report card format was unveiled this past week
 - n) Working with Tom reviewing our staffing needs for next year
- 6) Principal's Report: Tom Kwekel
 - a) Discipline issues were discussed
 - b) The debate team took second place in their division
 - c) Working on getting back into Junior Achievement
 - d) Classroom observations with Michelle Deutschmann going well
 - e) Dr. Tony Van Grouw volunteering at school
- 7) Committee Reports:
 - B&G** – Evert reporting
 - a) The gym is being rented on Saturdays in January and February from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM to the Upward Group. They are holding basketball games for grades 3-6 as well as having time to present the gospel.
 - b) The parents' guild is asking to have concessions available at the ball diamonds. The board approved the idea by consensus.
 - c) Still looking into the building of a trophy case near the entrance to the gym
 - Finance/Treasurer** – Jon reporting
 - a) Continuing to work on collecting past due tuition
 - b) Several graphs and charts were distributed
 - c) A special board meeting will be held on Monday, February 2, to discuss ways to address the overdue tuition dilemma

Public Relations – No Report

Education – Ed reporting

Transportation – Jim reporting

- a) Still reviewing the possibility of adding a NE quadrant bus run for next year
- b) So far the ZCS Transportation board is operating well within their budget this school year

Personnel/Executive – No report

Long Range Planning – No report

Extra Curricular Music – No report

8) Ongoing Business:

- a) Church visiting – Nothing new
- b) Fund raising committee – Nothing new

9) New Business: None

10) Roundtable:

It was decided by consensus that the board would not address which consumer products should be off-limits due to the companies producing the products showing support for causes not in agreement with our Christian values

11) The concept minutes were read and approved

12) Next Meeting – Tuesday, February 24, 2009 at 7:00PM

13) M&S to adjourn at 9:15 PM Motion Carried

14) Jon Verduin closed with prayer