**HCS School Board Meeting Minutes Oct 21st, 2021**

Attendees: Mickey Ballinger, Jackie Claassen, Marty Flickinger, Derek Fowles, Megan Green, Kenny Kessler, Justin Tompkins

Absent: Janeal Lischke

Other:

1. **Call to order** @ 7:04
2. **Devotion and Prayer** – Mrs. Green – Take Time to be Still in My Presence Psalms 46:10, Numbers 6:25-26
3. **Amend or approve agenda:** October 21, 2021

Motion to approve as submitted by Claassen, seconded by Green. Approved as submitted with no dissent.

1. **Approve Minutes of Board Meeting:** September 16, 2021

Motion to approve as submitted by Green, seconded by Ballinger. Approved as submitted with no dissent.

1. **New Business**
2. Policy Review

9.15 Contents of cumulative folders policy

9.16 Student work policy

9.17 Student release from school policy

9.18 Graduation and 8th grade promotion guidelines

No changes to above policies.

B. Neighbor to the north has asked if he can connect his fence to the school fence. The board has approved.

1. **Administrator's Report**
   1. **Grandparent’s Day –** The elementary and secondary students presented a program. There were approximately 200 grandparents in attendance. Many students made cards and crafts to present to their grandparents and spent the 2nd half of the day with them.
   2. **Teacher Professional Development –** The teachers are all attending virtual professional development in November. Trinity Academy is also having Sean McDowell present several sessions on November 19. Teachers will be able to watch remotely.
   3. **Teacher Conference –** Parent/teacher conferences will be held next Friday. Reporting cards will be handed out to parents at that time. PSC reports will also be provided to those that still owe hours for this semester.
   4. **First Quarter Report Card –** First quarter report cards were entered by teachers. They will be going out next week at parent/teacher conferences with grades, comments, and citizenship.
   5. **Mission Day –** The VA hospital will not let us go there this year so teachers are looking for other places to serve. Some classes are working at Alpha Children’s Home, God’s Storehouse and Harvesters. Other classes are working in our neighborhood, making care packages for veterans and emergency workers, and delivering them. Some grades will have morning classes and lunch on their own before working.
   6. **Senior Parent Meeting –** There was a senior parent meeting on 10/13 at 4:30. The group discussed the senior mission trip to Texas working with Beautiful Feet, ACT/SAT testing, FAFSA filing, scholarship opportunities, graduation announcement, graduation caps and gowns, graduation pictures, senior pictures, and senior class gift. Graduation will be held at Topeka Baptist Church.
   7. **Donations –** Some families are continuing to send us monthly checks for $700, another family is sending $500 each month, 2 are sending $250, one is sending $150 and another is sending $50 each month. Some funds are designated for the scholarship fund and some are general donations.
   8. **Maintenance –** 
      1. The chiller has been turned off for the season, but the boiler has not been turned on yet.
      2. We need a new seal on a toilet in the north boys’ elementary bathroom. We are delaying a call to Samco and hope we can find someone to fix it.
      3. We hired Ken Wilson to clean. He is the grandfather of one of our students and is doing really well. He also has a job at Lowe’s so his days are very long.
      4. The exterior light at the north end of the elementary hall is not working even though Mr. O replaced the bulb. That issue needs to be investigated.
      5. The emergency light in the middle of the preschool room is not coming on.
      6. The project in Room 10 does not work – may be the bulb but Mr. Fanning did not think so.
      7. The center light of the Trophy Case will not come on and the fixture needs to be replaced.
2. **Committee Reports -**

**PTF** - no report

**Admissions** - we added 2 new students at the beginning of the quarter

**Education/Tech** – the piano has been repaired in the music room

**Long Range Planning** – no report

**Financial** – Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss reports presented

**Fundraising/Publicity** – have not had luck getting a committee formed – still looking for volunteers. Mr. Fowles will look into setting up a meeting to talk about fundraising for fixing the parking lot and the front drop off area.

1. **Old Business**

**Immediate fund raising options**

Chili feed – information was sent to Mrs. Leavendusky for consideration

**Long term fund raising options**

**IX. Open Forum**

1. Neighbor kids are trying to vandalize equipment on the south playground. Mr. Fowles walked over to address them and they behaved crudely.
2. There is a system available that we can install in the gym so that games can be watched remotely. We would have to investigate the logistics and expense of how to get wi-fi in the needed locations for soccer and baseball.

**X. Executive Session –** entered at 8:11, exited at 8:56.

Motion to adjourn by Green, seconded by Flickinger. Adjourned at 8:57.

Submitted by Jackie Claassen.