

ALIS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

April 19, 2010

Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present: Lori Grimsley, Corey Guy, Clint Merkel, Jeff Oder, Jim Stuckemeyer, Tom Wendling, Mike Ziegler, Mark Suckow, and Kurt Wolff.

Others Present: Gail Traub, Karen Whitt & Vern Spilker

Opening Devotion: Vern Spilker

Wish to Speak:

Secretary's Minutes: Minutes from the meeting were reviewed and approved as presented

Treasurers Report: reviewed and approved as presented

Athletic Directors Report: A written report was submitted by Wes Jones

- a. Blue and Gold Banquet it May 2 at 6 P.M.
- b. No ineligible students

Technology Report: A written report was submitted by Kathy Maske

- a. Software for teachers has been purchased and is in the classrooms. This came out of PTL funds
- b. 2 more document cameras are being used. There are cameras in K, 1, 2, and music.
- c. 9 computers are being donated from First Mid-IL bank and will be here on Monday. I will put them to use in the lab and as needed for replacing student computers.
- d. Grant Monies and Title I funds are being used to purchase the following:
 - i. Speakers for 5th grade
 - ii. CD players for 2nd grade
 - iii. Microphones for the lab
 - iv. Digital cameras for classroom and lab use
- e. We will set up the server in July to be a domain server. This will allow for individuals to log onto any computer with their username and password. It will increase security and make maintaining users more efficient. It will also reduce the need for so many different folders on the server. Individuals will also only have access to what we want them to see. For example, students will never see files that teachers see unless we allow it. Also student will not have access to other students work unless we allow it. There will be very little cost in this set up. Most of the time will be spent by myself in entering the information and setting up the user profiles.
- f. A Sonic Wall was installed by Hofnet. This is a firewall and prevents outside users from accessing our network.
- g. I am looking into the cost of a new server. The one we have now is getting older and we do not want to wait until it is not working.
- h. Technology committee is working on coming up with a proposal for Internet to be used by students. We will present this at the next meeting.
We are also looking at our technology plan.
- i. We also talked about using Fast Direct as a way to be more efficient with parent communication, grades, lunch and attendance.

PTL Report:

- Next meeting April 22, 2010
- Art fair, book fair also on April 22, 2010
- Approval of next year's budget
- Approx \$10k in additional funds. PTL board recommends the excess funds be used as follows.
 - 5k for a new curtain in the gym
 - 4k for new desks for lower grades
 - 1k for new shades for gym windows
- Next year's budget is 22,500. Majority to Technology, then AR. Other items as well
- 6K plus from working the Dome events.
- Scrip program may get a different coordinator for the summer.
- Next year's budget is approx \$200 more than this year's budget.

Principal's Report:

- Sacred Heart School sent an apology for the derogatory remark made by one of their team mates while shaking hands after they won. All of the team signed the apology.
- The new math books have online resources. A request to white list the online resource for the students in the computer lab next year.
- A group of church members worked on the ALIS landscape on Thursday, April 15. Special thanks to Bob Kassel, Bill Wendling, and Dave Stuemke. They are planning on coming back to finish the landscaping work.
- Staff and Board members visited Faith Lutheran Church at Shumway on Sunday, April 18, 2010
- One 5th grader has 25 points, and one 8th grader has 35 points.
- Fast Direct would improve the report cards and communication with parents. Please look online for more information: www.fastdir.com
- In one week we collected \$45 worth plastic bags. This program may be discontinued at any time. The program is being discontinued on store to store basis.
- We received \$640 from Andes Pharmacy, from a contest. We are buying flags, and we would like to buy more rock for the playground.
- We also received a \$400 donation from an individual.

Committee Reports

- **Finance:**
 - Meeting: See revised paper work for the registration fees for 2010-2011. Lunch policy for past due lunch payments. Do we want to raise lunch prices? The current cost is \$1.75 for lunch and \$.30 for milk. The raise would be sufficient to cover additional expenses.
- **Curriculum:**
 - The staff discussed the homework policy. The 5-8th grade staff would like to have a meeting with the curriculum group at 6:30 P.M. on May 17th before the Board of Directors meeting to discuss the home policy with unprepared and incomplete homework.
- **Extra-Curricular:**
 - Discussed field trip funding. Field trip funding does not come from the church portion of the budget. Field trip funding comes from PTL or Kleinhenn.

- **Maintenance:**
 - David and Matthew Burrow would like to continue to mow the lawn for \$45 a time, power wash the bottom of the bricks. Spray for bees and wasps.
 - Screen door in the Kitchen broke.
 - Third grade desk is broke.
- **Personnel:**
 - Set meeting for April 19, 2010 at 6:30 P.M. to discuss accumulating sick days to be used in the future. Set a restricted amount. At this time the staff is paid \$25 for each sick day not used. Request for Vacation days to coincide with the fiscal year. No action from the committee for now.
 - Tabled until next meeting
- **Special Committees:**
 - **Fund Raising:**
 - Waiting on more information on Thrivent Choice Program. Check with congregations to make sure they have a Thrivent representative at that meeting.
 - **Endowment:**
 - The Endowment Fund Committee needs new members from some of the churches to be on the Committee. Two members per church. The Pastors are aware of that.
 - **Classical Education**
 - No report.

Entered Executive Session

Exited Executive Session

Old Business:

- a. Replacing folding door in gym-See bid and colors of the vinyl. Acoustically rated accordion door (series: Soundmaster 8) \$6,785. Non-acoustical vinyl door \$5,595. This includes installation. The curtain is Class A Rating, NFPA 101, Life Safety Code, NFPA 225 (UL723,CAN S201M) Tunnel Test (ASTM E-84). Student council is giving \$700.
 - Tabled pending possible PTL funding.
- b. The Funding Academy in Carlinville Inn, June 7-9, 2010 sent in the form for Rev. Vail and Gail Traub.
- c. Visited Faith Lutheran Church Shumway, IL April 18, 2010

New Business:

- a. Open House on April 22, 2010. Prior to the PTL meeting. Three students have volunteered to be tour guides
- b. Whitt Sales and Service sent a maintenance agreement about their air conditioners
- c. Lutheran Trust is taking over for Central Insurance Management, ALIS old insurer. Lutheran Trust is servicing ALIS presently. At the renewal time Lutheran Trust will show us line by line coverage. The package policy is up for renewal October 1, 2010. Representative Matt Pahde, 1-800-200-7257 x4241.
- d. Discuss raising lunches prices from \$1.75 to \$1.85 and leave milk at \$.30. The commodities will be less for 2010-2011. Reduced lunch has not changed in a long time. Also school lunches are supposed to increase fruits and vegetables.

- Discussed lunch pricing
- e. ALIS has received the all the registration money except from nine families
- f. NLSA- revisions for 2010. Gail is working on them with the teachers and will be mailing them in May 7th.
- g. A Board member needs to attend the Thrivent Financial meeting April 22, 2010.
 - Jeff Oder volunteered
- h. April Stuemke's revised housing allowance approval.
 - **Motion** made and seconded to April Stuemke's housing allowance. Motion carried by voice vote.
- i. Received \$640 from Andes Pharmacy – used part it for new flags. Would like rock added to the east and west side of the basketball court. It is muddy and low when it rains. ALIS also received a gift of \$400 from an individual.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote, closed with the Lord's Prayer.
Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Clint Merkel
Secretary