

**ALIS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**December 20, 2010**  
**Meeting Minutes**

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

**Others Present:** Pastor Kloopping, Pastor Speers, Pastor Vail, Pastor Wright, Gail Traub, Mary Hendricks, Wes Jones, and Jana Deadmond, Mrs. Spilker, Vern Spilker, Lorrie Milleville, Ross & Carla Cornett, and Kevin Wendling.

**Opening Devotion:** Pastor Vail: The true meaning of Christmas

**Wish to Speak:** Lorrie Milleville, and Ross & Carla Cornett commented on their trip to St. Paul's Lutheran School in Brookfield, IL (for the Classical Education curriculum).

**Secretary's Minutes:** Minutes from the meeting were reviewed and approved as amended.

**Treasurers Report:** Reviewed and approved as presented.

**Athletic Directors Report:** A written report was submitted.

- Correction of ineligible students (academics) it should read "6 students were ineligible as of 12/15/10." Some of these are due to the shortened week with the snow days, and lack of gradable assignments.
- Extra Curricular to make a recommendation on the ineligibility rule.

**Principal's Report:** A written report was submitted.

**Technology Report:** Kathy Maske is returning Jan 3, 2010 on the same schedule as before.

- Kathy will be installing the E2T2 computers when she returns.

**PTL Report:** No report all fundraisers are completed until the PTL dinner auction.

**Committee Reports**

- **Finance:**
  - Set a meeting for February after the new committee members are decided
- **Curriculum:**
  - Set a meeting for February after the new committee members are decided
- **Extra-Curricular:**
  - Wes Jones to submit a proposal for an updated ineligibility rule to the Extra Curricular committee.
- **Maintenance:**
  - Railroad ties need to be removed and rock added to the playground, fix bathroom door in the kitchen, fix the announcement board, and fix heater thermostat in pantry.
- **Personnel:**
  - Personnel meeting set for 1 hour before the January 2011 board meeting
- **Special Committees:**
  - **Endowment:**
    - Discussion Southeastern Illinois Community Foundation

○ **Classical Education:**

- Committee members visited St. Paul's Lutheran School in Brookfield , IL
- **Motion** made and seconded to accept the proposal presented by the Classical Education committee. Motion carried by hand vote. (Proposal attached to the minutes)

**Old Business:**

- a. Endowment Fund: Southeastern Illinois Community Foundation- This would need to be approved by the ALIS Board of Directors to change the by-laws and add this organization. This would also have to be approved by all four congregations. Ask a representative from the Southeastern Illinois Community foundation to come to a Board meeting and further explain the foundation
- b. ALIS roof - Two bids have been requested from Michael Wendling and Best Construction. One more bid needs to be requested. No bids have been received.
- c. Christmas Party – sign-up January 9<sup>th</sup> at 6 P.M., St Paul Blue Point

**New Business:**

- a. Church Worker Scholarships – to be given to Concordia students
  - **Motion** made and seconded to distribute \$300 per student to three students from the church workers scholarship fund. Motion carried by voice vote
- b. Continuing Education school membership dues for MTM (Ministry Technology Mentor) project \$300 – Students receive a 25% tuition discount for each MTM graduate course taken.
  - **Motion** made and seconded to pay the MTM project membership dues of \$300 with money to come from continuing education. Motion defeated by hand vote.
- c. Continuing Education request.
  - Personnel Committee to develop a continuing education policy and bring it back to the Board of Directors for approval.
- d. Approval of housing allowances.
  - **Motion** made and seconded to approve the housing allowances. Motion carried by voice vote.
- e. Purchase of a used freezer to be placed in the cafeteria. The kitchen needs extra freezer space.

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Clint Merkel  
Secretary

**Sample proposal/motion from the Classical Education committee**

to the BOD which should bring our work to an end  
and place the matter in the hands of the board,  
administration and staff

Whereas our committee has studied this matter for 18 months, providing all at ALIS with materials presentations etc, so that they might be informed about classical Lutheran education

Whereas member of this committee have twice attended CCLE and brought back reports to the BOD and staff

Whereas ALIS is to be constantly improving its service to the Church and the community, by investigating issues in education/philosophy/curriculum etc.

Whereas we have considered quite a bit of information which informed us of the serious deficits in public education and curriculum, (cf test scores, curricular censorship et al)

Whereas the State of Illinois has taken up a serious revision of their core, apparently modeled after Massachusetts and unless we take action, our children would fall seriously behind children in the Illinois Public Schools, if we continue in our present course unchanged<sup>1</sup>

Whereas we learned that Classical Lutheran Education, as opposed to secular education of any sort, provides a good integrated solution which neither fights against faith, nor impoverishes the student intellectually, but encourages them to consider that which is good, beautiful and right.

Resolved that ALIS move toward with haste to formalize our understanding of Classical Lutheran Education and

Resolved that ALIS move forward implementing that form of Classical Lutheran Education which best serves our children and prepares them for their Christian vocation in the world

<sup>1</sup> This line was changed from the original proposal to make the sentence coherent