

CDS Jan 9 2024 Meeting Minutes

Present: Natalie Schiets, Pastor Brown, Chelsea Floro, Kay Dicken, Madelyn Hetrick, Judy Karchner

Guests: Paige Busdiecker, Dana Nutter

Council updates: Natalie presented each member with the CDS welcome packets and went over general operating and finances/ where the school gets money, CDS visitor Policy, and our agenda for the year.

Officers were elected: Judy Karchner - President, Chelsea Floro - Secretary.

Madelyn made a motion to elect Judy as president and Chelsea as Secretary.

Kay Seconds.

Motion carries.

Judy made a motion to approve the continuing resolutions for allocations of undesignated gifts exceeding \$1000 for Solomon Lutheran School as written (20% crusader fund, 20% Meyer Financial Aid, 50% School endowment fund, 10% benevolence)

Chelsea seconds.

Motion carries.

Chelsea Made a motion to approve the CDS job description as written.

Judy Seconds.

Motion carries.

- We need 2 more CDS committee member appointments to fill vacancies.
- All committee meeting scheduled for Jan 16th at 7pm.

Development:

- SGO: Kay is going to St Johns Oak Harbor to give 2 temple talks for us. End of year report has not come to Natalie yet on donors/amount in the account. She will watch for that email.
- Annual Fund Appeal: Need \$40,000. The Kickoff event (talent show) was well attended but did not bring in much money. Madelyn will look over prev years alumni newsletters and will draft a shorter version to send out Annual fund appeal ask.

Marketing: We had an MBA marketing student use us for a project and they were able to give Pastor Brown and Natalie a marketing report and some suggestions. They suggested some targeted digital marketing, and making a video that would promote the school. Pastor, Natalie, and Melanie have plans to meet to further discuss this marketing strategy.

SEA: Meetings 3rd Tuesdays at 7pm.

Old Business

School Safety Grant: No updates on grand approvals

EOP: Finished and uploaded documents - awaiting signatures from Local Law Enforcement.

7th & 8th Grade: Will make a parish news update to let everyone know that the expansion to 7th and 8th grade is tabled due to lack of enrollment - pending future interest.

6th grade trip: Parent meeting scheduled for Jan 12th at 4pm. Natalie contacted our insurance agency to make sure we will have appropriate coverage for the trip. They suggested that the van be rented under the school insurance. An AirBNB has been rented. All students going have a parent also coming. Jake Diebert is the driver. He will be listed as the driver under our insurance.

Review enrollment packets for 24-25: Reviewed enrollment packets, discussion of tuition/fee changes for next year.

- School Fees: discussion that we can include fees directly in tuition.

Madelyn made a motion to eliminate school fees for 24-25 school year.

Kay Seconds.

Motion Carries.

- Discussion of last year's tuition increase, it's effects on our school families, and financial aid opportunities available for next year. Reviewed Woodmore's preschool cost.

Chelsea made a motion to increase tuition from \$6100 to \$6165 for K-6 for 2024-25 school year.

Madelyn Seconds.

Motion Carries.

Chelsea made a motion to increase PreSchool/Nursery tuition as follows for 2024-25 school year:

M-F all day - \$4050 M/W/F all day - \$2600

M/W/F am only- \$1400 T/Th all day - \$1750

T/Th am only - \$1075

Kay Seconds.

Motion Carries.

- Discussed registration fees: currently \$130/child, doubled for late enrollment. This covers clerical costs and duties of enrollment.

Chelsea made a motion to put a cap on registration fees - Maximum of \$300/ family, still doubled for late enrollment.

Judy Seconds.

Motion Carries.

New Business

2024-25 School Calendar: Natalie presented the proposed 2024-25 school calendar. Reviewed by members.

Judy made a motion to approve the 2024-25 school calendar as presented.

Kay seconds.

Motion Carries.

Meeting Adjourned.

Next meeting: Feb 7th 11am