



**TCS Board Meeting Open Session Minutes  
3/19/24 @ 7:00 PM**

**Trinity Christian School – 901 Shorewood Dr. Shorewood, IL 60404**

**Board Members in Attendance**

Jennifer Danielson  
Shawn Doorhy  
John Herod  
Jonas Byrer  
David Payton  
JD Zeeman – virtually

**Staff Members in Attendance**

Steve Baly - @ 8:08  
Deanne Bekermeier - @8:18  
Chris McBride  
Ron Naling  
Ellen Rasmussen - @8:16  
Toya Thomas - @ 8:16  
Jon Vugteveen - @7:17  
Joyce Westenberg  
Rachel Woodford - @7:17  
Anneke Zakoor - @8:08

**Community Members in Attendance**

Adam Cole  
Erin Zilvitis  
Tiffany Hardy  
Sarah Choomchaiyo  
Natalie Cisneros  
Luis Cisneros  
Rocky Koehler  
Magan Schwartz  
Chuck Book  
Euridice Oware  
Matt Martire  
Alicia Presswood  
Nadia  
Verkler Family  
Mr. Sergent  
Kamikka Houston  
Amy McKnight - virtually

**Devotions: Jennifer D.**

- Spring – Rehearsing the Truth, Ruth Chou Simmons – Gracelaced: 2 Corinthians 5:17

**Prayer Requests/Prayer: Jennifer D.**

**Open Session (30 minute max, 3 minute time limit):**

- None

**Minutes Approved: February 2024**

- Motion by Jonas B.
- Second by Shawn D.
- Minutes approved
- Open Session minutes to be put on school website by Jack Hayward.

**\*Written Reports provided for the General Session. See Teams folders for full reports.**

**Board Development: None**

**Teacher Representative Report: Chris M. (See Report)**

**STEAM Report: Chris M. and Adam C. (See Presentation)**

- Students present: London Houston, Sean Sergent
- Board request:
  - Bring Chris McBride on as a full-time STEAM teacher
  - Would need a part-time art teacher
  - Room for a makerspace lab – possibly middle school computer lab
  - Space on course schedule for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> makerspace class

**Curriculum and Accreditation Report: Rachel W. (See Report)**

**Admissions Report: Ellen R. (See Report)**

- Ellen will look into continuous enrollment in an effort to make the re-enrollment process smoother.
  - The Board would like to tell parents about a change to continuous enrollment if we decide to go that route at the beginning of next year.
- Current enrollment in March 2024 is 121, 15 pending
  - Current enrollment in March 2023 was 105 students, 13 pending

**Building Maintenance Report: Tom F. (See Report, Presented by Jon V.)**

- Will install a lockbox over elevator button on first floor.
- Elevator repair quote (hydraulic cylinder) - \$10,000
  - Considering a second opinion.

**Development Report - Deanne B. (See Report)**

- March Open House went good tonight.
- If Empower Illinois reinstates by end of May, the program is hoping for it to be the same or similar to the current program.

### **Preschool Report – Amy B. (See Report, Presented by John H.)**

### **Security Report – Jon V. (See Principal’s Report)**

### **PTM Report – Kari S. (See Report, Presented by Jonas B.)**

### **Special Events/Volunteer Coordinator Report: Toya T. (See Report)**

- Jonas recommended looking into a raffle license for the town or county in which the event is taking place.
- “Golden Ticket” part of the event might require a license.

### **Social Media/Marketing Report: Jack H. (See Report, Presented by John H.)**

- Jack added a school board interest form on the school website per request of Jonas.

### **Building Supervisor Report: None**

### **Finance Committee Report: None**

### **Technology Report: Ron N. (See Report)**

- Rachel thanked Steve and Ron for setting up a tv, wireless keyboard, wireless mouse, and webcam in the conference center. Can now be used for Teams meetings.
- Ron suggested getting an internet backup to avoid internet outage issues.
  - Outage issues are minimal but having a backup would be a good safeguard.

### **Administrator Report: Jon V. (See Report)**

- Jon has gotten a lot of positive comments lately about how well-behaved and respectful TCS students are. This makes Jon very proud of our school and students!

### **Next Meeting**

Meeting adjourned for Open Session at 9:40

Next Open Session - April 16, 2024, 7:00| 901 Shorewood Dr. Shorewood, IL 60404