



**TCS Board Meeting Open Session Minutes  
11/19/24 @ 7:03 PM**

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

**Board Members in Attendance**

Jonas Byrer  
Jennifer Danielson  
Shawn Doorhy - @7:42  
David Payton  
John Herod

**Staff Members in Attendance**

Steve Baly  
Jon Vugteveen  
Rachel Woodford

**Community Members in Attendance**

Pastor Charlie Pierce – The Village Church, Shorewood Community Pastor  
Pastor Nate Ferguson – The Village Church, Lead Pastor

**Devotions: Jen D.**

- Leave Outcomes to Me – Sarah Young, Jesus Calling
- John 10:4, Psalm 27: 13-14, Exodus 15:13

**Prayer Requests/Prayer: Jen D.**

- Our nation – coming together in unity

**Minutes Approved: October 2024**

- Motion by Dave P.
- Second by Jonas B.
- 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.**

**HOS Report, Summary of Department Reports: Jon V. (See Reports)**

- Jon and Rachel are very thankful for the staff and for the hard work they put in.
- Praying for continued blessing and protection.
- Adalys is doing amazing planning and preparing for events.
- Our Savior Lutheran is not doing Operation Christmas child next year (2025). Will look into using Mrs. Woodford's church.

- Grandparents Day book fair raised \$9300 in 90 minutes. Teachers got \$50 each to spend from the proceeds.
- Chilis was a great fundraiser for the PTM, raising over \$1300. They gave a portion of every table back to the school.
- Waiting on one more quote for AC.
- Maintenance looking for another carpet cleaner machine to help maintain the brand-new carpet.
- TCS is researching a Non-Profit Security Grant program to secure funds to improve school security.
- Teachers have key card access now.
- Board members can get a key card if desired.
- Dave suggests considering security film on all first floor windows.
- Middle school students were informed consequences of empty social media threats. They were also encouraged to “see something, say something”.
- A TCS parent’s company, EBRS, finished a new security curriculum. TCS is interested in using this.
  - TCS is interested in doing another training with EBRS at the beginning of next school year.
- Jonas suggested including alumni to Family events, restaurant nights, and other fellowship opportunities. Perhaps alumni should get weekly newsletter via email or text through FACTS. Ask Jack to create an “alumni corner”.
- Looking to increase bandwidth for internet. Considering Fiber. Ron has been put in contact with the Comcast rep from Victory City.
- A new PA and bell system was put in this week. Web based. Got new server boxes to link with current speakers. Bell sounds and tones can be changed.

### **Director of Education Report: Rachel W. (See Report)**

- Board needs to add evidences to domains by the date listed in the report.
- Looking for a CPR trainer to get staff trained to meet accreditation requirements.
- Looking to get a Right Now Media account for the school.
  - Teachers can get Bible CEUs. Attached to ACSI.
  - Covers 350 students
  - Would give access to all families.
  - \$200 per month for 11 months but gives access for 12 months. Total of \$2200 which could be covered by Student Council.

### **Director of Business Services Report: Steve B.**

- None

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

- Pastor Charlie and Pastor Nate
  - Update on first 3 weeks

- Appreciative of partnership with the school
- November 3<sup>rd</sup> kickoff – 215 people, 44 volunteers
- 165 average over the next two weeks
- 42 new people registered as visitors. 15-20 have not registered but are also new to The Village.
- Pastor Charlie meets with new families in their home and delivers baked goods.
- Facebook has been good advertising.
- Families within a 4-5 block radius have been coming to check out a new local church.
- 2 life groups established
- Second Sunday – first baptism service
- Pastor Nate told the board to let them know what information we need from them or what questions we have.
- The Village Shorewood will look into engaging with Alden residents.
- Pastors are willing to come to all board meetings and share a quick update.

### **Next Meeting**

Meeting adjourned for Open Session at 8:30.

Next Open Session – December 17, 2024, 7:00| 901 Shorewood Dr. Shorewood, IL 60404