

**Water of Life Christian School Board Meeting
February 26, 2024
In person meeting for everyone
Minutes/Part 1/OPEN Session**

****At the request of The WOLCS School Board, the meetings will take place in person only beginning September 25, 2023****

Attendees: Admin. & School Board: Anne G., Leslie N., Scott G., Sandra G., Floyd M., Josh A., Rosa O., Mary W. *Parents: Fady A., Alcira Z., Melissa D.

1. Opening Prayer & Welcome: Meeting began at 6:02 pm with an opening welcome, devotion, and prayer. Floyd M., devotional II Corinth. 5:19 and opening prayer from Scott G.

2. Public Comments:

*Parent, Alcira Z. wanted to share a praise report: her daughter has been accepted to Western Christian High School. *Melissa D. relayed that with the rain, the front entry is not keeping students/etc. dry. Possibly, an awning could help mitigate the problem. Principal Anne G. relayed that she had previously spoken with Josh O. regarding this very concern. Sandy G. added that the planters in this same area are problematic because of flooding/hazard.

3. Reading & Approval of the January 22, 2024 and January 30, 2024, Meeting Minutes: Approved by Scott G. and Josh A. with adjustments.

4. School Shout Out Report by Anne G.:

Open House 1/29 new family tours (39 families), Black History with student led activities with all classes involved, Café for a Cause – Melissa shared that \$791 for February equaling \$2,029.38 with one more to go. Many other groups/cultures are scheduled (Veterans, Hispanic, Native American, Middle Eastern, Pacific Islanders, etc.). Floyd mentioned that it would be good to archive many of these presentations, ex. MLK. Anne relayed that she thought it a good idea, could have an added cost involved.

Nancy is to forward requests.

5. State of the School Reports by Site Administrators:

A. Preschool (Fontana/Upland) – Leslie Norman: Combined Preschool enrollment – 255. Miss Gloria is doing many tours with lots of interest for next year (waiting list). Scott asked if the sites are full? Not yet. One TA has left for family reasons. Outside contract with Child Care Careers, which has an hourly fee, was renewed for three mornings/week. Additionally, “Moving up Day” (pre to kinder) was very successful with goody bags to delight.

B. K-8 – Anne Gubbins: K-8 enrollment – 255. Mentioned a recent celebration: a first grader, who speaks broken English, from China, is thriving!! The parents relayed that they do not learn religion and came to WOLCS/WOL, via their landlord, to learn about Christianity. K-8 Professional Development in the I-Ready assessment was attended on February 12 for an hour and half for each grade level. Shadowing of teachers at other school sites were also experienced at Beech/Citrus Elementary. The reaction was positive as they observed small group learning, curriculum, brain breaks, and higher order learning. A soft survey was completed. Invitation to tutoring for at risk students is in place and should continue through April. This is just prior to I-Ready assessment. Teachers submit student names and the school is absorbing this cost. Free math tutoring is also in place.

Alicia commented about the increased interest of parents in enrolling their children at WOLCS. There are many potential families in the area with new apartments being built. We need to be ready for this increase. Floyd mentioned that we need to pray for the expansion/capacity/facilities. What will the school look like in the next five years.

The Open Session/Part 1 adjourned at 6:41 pm. The School Board thanked parents for their input and attending the meeting.

The next School Board meeting will be on March 18, 2024 @6pm in person. All parents and staff are invited. Confirmed and submitted for approval by the resolution of the WOLCS Board.

Signed: Mary Welday (Secretary) Date: 3/13/24