

Schools of Sierra Bible Church (S.SBC) School Board
Minutes for August 6, 2024
Annual Meeting

Attendees: Sarah Hemler – President (SH), Debby Benes - Secretary (DB), Diane Harper - Treasurer (DH), Darcy O’Loughlin (DO’L), Greg Gusiff (GG) via Google Meet. Absent: None.
Guests in Attendance: Jessica Baeckel (JB)-School Head, Angie Parker (AP)-Administrative Assistant

1. Prayer—Opened in Prayer at 4:20pm
2. Approve SB Minutes June 20, 2024 – **Minutes stand approved as submitted.**
3. ***Public Comment on topics not on this Agenda*** – People wishing to speak must fill out a speaker’s card. Comment limited to two minutes. ***No guests/public comment.***
4. PTF update – Details provided by (JB). (JB) met with Beth last week. PTF Meetings were held in June and July virtually via Google Meet. (JB) gave access to TKA Master Calendar to see events for the future. New families – offering a PTF TKA family to act as a Mentor family for their new experience at TKA. Abigail heading this up. Park Play Dates are going well and helping to build community relationships with all TKA families. Looking at options for a Fall Fundraiser. Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) Quick Guide/Bomb Threat Checklist is in a Red Binder placed in the PTF Mailbox in the TKA Staff Lounge.
5. School Head – Jessica Baeckel
 - a. Update – Licensing is done and received by Barbara Bidell of the Nevada Department of Education. Due to enrollment numbers, schedules changes will be made affecting lunch, recess and some instructional elements. K-5th together in the lunchroom from 11:15-12:15. K-2nd will recess together, 3rd-5th recess together. Bible instruction will move to after lunch and help curb transitions between subjects and student movement. Elementary Teachers may be teaching their own PE sessions due to unforeseen circumstances. Spanish update is ordered through Bob Jones Press with Andrew Shelton as paid proctor. T/W/TH sessions. Spanish curriculum is slated to begin after the first week of school if available. Wood chip donation will be spread out for the playground equipment safety feature. Peni Jo & John will provide volunteer labor. (AP) provided an end of fiscal year budget review as well as a forward look towards the '24-'25 school year (SY) budget projections.
6. School Board President – Sarah Hemler
 - a. Elect officers – Officers will remain the same for the '24-'25 school year (SY). **(SH) nominates (DB) as Secretary and (DH) as Treasurer and (D’OL) seconds the motion.**



**Motion passes unanimously. (D'OL) nominates (SH) for Pres. – (DH) seconds.
Motion passes unanimously.**

- b. Confidentiality agreement – Two additional signatures from GG and PTF President Beth Davis will be acquired to complete this action item.
- c. Prayer Areas – As the new school year begins, (SH) provided a sincere reminder of our mission as Board members that coincides with our business matters. A new SBC sermon series will look at Prayer & Fasting. One day is designated to focus on prayer for TKA staff, students and families. Pastor Baeckel has asked us to provide four specific areas for TKA prayer: 1. Enrollment & Finances 2. Spiritual Growth for students and teachers 3. Christ magnified in every decision we make and that He gives us Wisdom and Discernment, 4. That TKA would be a Light in a dark world.
- d. Plan of Action from parent survey results – (D'OL) updated that a thank you was sent through Gradelink to parent survey participants. Areas of satisfaction and improvement were discussed and reviewed. In terms of technology, Middle School computer use continues for class project work and keyboarding skills via the Typing Club program. Discussion surrounding the use of this program with the elementary grades.
- e. Revisit committees - which do we need/not need/how to make more effective: The committee on trustees will be dissolved. School head support committee will continue with current members, (SH), (D'OL), and (DH). Marketing committee continues work with all Board members, Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) committee continues with current members, (D'OL) and (DB). Discussion regarding two individuals that show interest in acting as part-time committee members for our Marketing and Fundraising efforts.
- f. HUG fundraiser wrap-up – Monies raised through the end of fiscal year 2024 are \$31,083. Action Item: A thank you notice for the SBC church family will be created and reviewed for posting on the Churchcenter app. (DB) will work on design and message to submit to Pastor Cassidy.
- g. Dolan fundraiser (September submission) nothing current for '25 SY. Considerations for a school-wide TKA project. Submit video and community focus, include PTF for brainstorming ideas. School-wide project is \$25,000.
- h. Board Agenda for 24-25 – tabled for September meeting.
- i. Strategic Board Assessment - tabled for September meeting.



7. Old Business
8. New Business
9. Future Business
 - a. Strategic Plan work for internal marketing, professional development
 - b. Literature vision statement
 - c. Board Mission Statement
 - d. **Next Board Meeting, September 3, 2024 at 4:15pm**
 - i. Tentative future meetings: Oct 1, Nov 5, Dec 3

(DH) motions to adjourn at 6:24pm. (DO'L) seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

