

Schools of Sierra Bible Church (S.SBC) School Board
Minutes for May 7, 2024

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

1. Opened in Prayer at 4:17pm
2. Approve SB Minutes April 2, 2024 - **The 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 – Beth Davis - Board elected Staff Appreciation week runs May 6th – 10th. The new PTF Board will schedule a meeting for discussion on the remainder of the year and to plan for the next school year (SY).
5. School Head - Jessica Baeckel
 - a. Update - \$800 at Chipotle fundraiser. Third official and final STAR testing is underway for this school year. Reading and Math are tested again. Field Day plans are underway with a Noon dismissal. K and 8th grade graduation will be that evening. Enrollment updates: numbers stay the same, minus one student. Current enrollment total: 59 students with two to pay fees. Six students for Kindergarten at this point. Potential 5 or 6 current students to give their intentions for next year. A staff meeting was held to inform of the current budget and plans for the next school year. (JB) will hold a 2nd/3rd Grade meeting to review options and discuss a combo class due to enrollment numbers at this grade level. An annual meeting for incoming middle school families is on the calendar and will provide insights and classroom updates for these grade levels. A Parent meeting for all grade levels will be placed on the calendar to highlight all aspects of the new '24-'25 school year.
6. School Board President - Sarah Hemler
 - a. Banners update – Design options are underway for new TKA banners. Received an okay for placement on corner lot where existing SBC banner is posted on Sundays. Seeking Elder Bd approval for I-80 Banner placement on existing structure. V-Shaped sign – 2 banners can be erected here.
 - b. Aces Fundraiser update – Partnership with SBC is verified, and announcement will be placed in ChurchCenter app. Communication to TKA families and ticket sales updates are forthcoming.
 - c. School Head Evaluation update – Letter of intent is signed for next year. Evaluation is completed.



- d. Update Fundraising policy – Edits performed during meeting via Google docs. A fundraising form for potential applicants will be created by (SH). **(D’OL) moves to approve edited Fundraising Policy. (DH) seconds. Motion is unanimously approved.**
- e. Parent Survey update – Results presented by (D’OL) and printed copy reviewed. Suggestion to review comments prior to the June meeting and look for themes, pray for guidance in discernment of these results. A thank you to parents for survey participation will be forwarded in a Gradelink email that will also include any changes that can be made via parent survey comments.
- f. Contacts for Board members/committees - Update on C. Stone status as potential advisor on committee for financial concerns. Suggestion to invite A. Howland to join the Board as a committee marketing advisor.
- g. June planning session – Board meeting to be combined with this meeting. (SH) will provide bullet points and an agenda for Board consideration at this meeting.
- a. Pray for families – ***Action Item completed:***
 - o (SH) created letters to each specific family that Board members personalized and (SH) will distribute the letters.

7. Old Business

8. New Business

9. Future Business

- a. Strategic Plan work for support for professional development (June)
- b. Strategic Plan work for internal marketing (June)
- c. Literature vision statement
- d. Board Mission Statement
- e. Next Board Meeting:–Thursday June 20th from 10a – 3pm. This will be a combined Board Meeting & Planning Session

10. **Motion to adjourn at 5:45pm. (DO’L) and (DH) seconds. Motion passes unanimously.**

