

# Summit Christian College

Board of Trustees Meeting  
August 27, 2011

**Present:** Lyle Hinebauch, Angie Arnold, Andy Gudahl, Brett Miller, Bill Ferrero, Willie Coop, Larry Berlin, Jeff Holloway, President Dave Parrish, Vice President of Academics Scott Gribble.

**Absent:** Herb Rainey, Wes Gudahl, John Steele, June McQueen

Meeting called to order by Larry Berlin and opening prayer by Bill Ferrero.

Minutes of the past meeting were discussed and motion (Bill) and 2<sup>nd</sup> (Angie) to accept as written and passed.

President Parrish invited Gerald Parriott to come and address the board for a few minutes. Gerald thanked the trustees for their time and wisdom and reminded us that we are the overseers of this great institution that he has been a part of since 1964 and that we are responsible for the spiritual and physical oversight of SCC. He encouraged us to keep working hard to support the President on all good decisions. He encouraged us to take personal inventory asking ourselves, "What am I doing as a Trustee that is positive for the college?" He encouraged us to make sound decisions with a sound mind. He reminded us that we need to cut costs, advance giving or both if we want to see SCC continue to raise up men and women for Christian Leadership.

Scott Gribble reported that SCC has 42 total students but under FTE only 27.5 students. He reported that our operating loan will be maxed out on the 30<sup>th</sup> of this month. Prayerfully, the Praise Banquet will provide the needed income for September & October. Scott reported that SCC will not hire a librarian as we had agreed previously to saving about \$4000.00. He also reported that SCC has 27 tables sponsored for the Praise Banquet. The total income goal is set at \$40,000 and there will be about \$5500.00 in expenses.

Scott reported that in August, SCC converted over to an institution wide computer program sponsored by ABHE. The program is called ABHE-Solutions. It integrates information from all departments into a single program. The annual cost of the program is \$3000.00. Up until now, the college fully relied on Andy Dietz. Moving to this system protects the college in case Andy is not available.

As for accreditation: The college has worked out a plan of action that should lead to an ABHE site visit in the fall of 2013. Following this plan we will be up for approval (or rejection) at ABHE's annual meeting in February 2014. The plan will allow us to suspend the services of Agron & Associates from January-June in 2012.

President Parrish addressed the board concerning our present financial crisis. He praised the local churches for their sacrificial giving and has recently been encouraged by some churches in Colorado especially the Denver area. These Colorado churches are showing more and more interest in supporting the college both with finances and encouraging students to come this way. He also is encouraged by the feedback he is receiving from churches and individual concerning the "Ascend the Summit" challenge.

Another area President Parrish praises that he believes is working well is the on campus visitation that happens on Fridays that is directed to potential students and their parents. He is also excited that the SCC campus will host the Bible Bowl coming up in October and believes that this will be a good opportunity to show kids that are already probably thinking about Bible College that SCC has much to offer. He believes enthusiasm for the college is on the rise but it still does not address the "elephant in the room."

Dave shared a few different options addressing the question "Should we continue?" They were well outlined in his written report. After much discussion concerning accreditation, the alumni being more active in recruiting, the churches being more active in recruiting, it was decided that we wanted to continue to forge ahead with the ministry of SCC.

Brett made the motion to consolidate the debt into a single instrument at approximately \$160,000 and somehow come up with an additional \$29,000 to balance the budget by the end of this current semester. If the budget does not balance, additional cuts will need to be made. Andy Gudahl seconded the motion...motion passed.

The meeting concluded with prayer.

The next meeting is set for January 7 2012.

Submitted by Lyle Hinebauch