

Summit Christian College

Board of Trustees Meeting May 11, 2012

Present: Larry Berlin, Andy Gudahl, Lyle Hinebauch, Brett Miller, Herb Rainey, June McQueen, John Steele, President Dave Parrish, VP of Academic Affairs Scott Gribble, Willie Coop, John Steele, Angie Arnold, Jeff Holloway, Jonathan Seng (pending board approval)

Absent: Wes Gudahl

Meeting to order at 1:02 PM by Jeff Holloway and opening prayer by Larry Berlin

Welcome to Jonathan Seng as a board member potential.

Minutes of past meeting (January 7, 2012) were discussed and motion (Willie) and 2nd (Angie) to accept as written and unanimously passed.

Executive & Development Report: (Dave) + (Lyle)

- Strategic goal number one is to increase the student body numbers. That involves getting students here and keeping them here.
- Thirteen applicants have been approved for next year, which is considerably higher than normal at this time. More applicants (8) are being worked on at this time.
- This year's applicants have the parents involved as opposed to applying on their own.
- Recruiter is very optimistic about the student potential, as he believes in this college.
- Discussed accreditation and need to have students as well as finances.
- Four brochures set out to deal with issues of fund raising and college awareness. Each board member has five of each brochure.
 - Invest Upward
 - Ascend the Summit Challenge
 - Built for Impact
 - Debt Free!
- Seven winners of Ascend the Summit this year.
- Looking for people with capacity and interest in helping financially if believe in the college.
- A challenge was issued to the board of this being a critical summer to find a way to come out in the black financially before school starts. Please take these 20 brochures and pray together with Dave for God to divinely lead us to people who have an interest in the kingdom work here at Summit. Dave Parrish would be glad to speak to any we note who are interested in considering support for the college.
- One other brochure is in the works as described, 'Small is Big'....regular givers of smaller amounts is great for the college as well.
- Long-range plan of college is still to get accredited.

- Discussed due process issue of someone disgruntled and potential suit that might be involved. Right now the process stops with the President; so, we discussed some insurance issues and other coverage ideas such as mediation, etc.
- Development committee came up with some great ideas. Lyle addressed.
 - Scotts Bluff County Fair booth

Student Life: (Willie)

- Met with June and had Dave Robinson and John States discuss visitors to the dorm. Discussed potential handbook changes. Received a visitor change that will need approved at new business of the meeting.
- Wanting to develop a better idea of why we exist as a group.
- Discussed retention of students and getting quality students for our college.
- Dave represents dean of students and John represents recruiting.
- One thing that hinders students is not knowing how to study and prepare.
- The distractions of internet and Facebook are big in our culture.
- College is doing more to understand why a student leaves for whatever reason.
- One big concern is that very first year a student is here at college.
- Nothing is written as to what this committee really must do; so, the purpose is in line with the recruiter, John, and his idea: (This addresses our tabled issue from the last meeting)
 - Purpose: To provide a positive environment that will enhance the student's educational experiences at Summit Christian College through meaningful non-academic activities, appropriate services, and extracurricular programs that are conducive to growth in the following areas:
 - a. Leadership,
 - b. Relationships
 - c. Christian maturity.
- Discussed kids being involved in area churches and mentored ministries.
- Discussed resident advisors and their involvement with the college.

Development:

- With executive notes.

Finance: (Brett)

- Budget information with income about \$16000 up from where we thought it would be.
- Looking at about potential of \$20000 in the hole but with another golf tournament coming that should keep us in the black for the end of this fiscal year.
- Budget discussion is for a conservative budget for the next year. Biggest challenge is getting the 'Ascend the Summit' dollars into the college.
- Budget will be done again after banquet and other important times.
- Ending well and looking to start well with keeping the college in the black.
- Expenses are up about \$9000 but there were some special gifts that helped in this area.
- Final budgets should be to us before the August meeting.
- Keep praying for the scholarship money to come in.
- Owe \$157000 on the building.

Education: (Larry)

- Discussed the review process on the ABHE and how to proceed toward a campus visit. Can ask for a year extension in 2013 if needed.
- Talked about the new degree program on deaf missions. We would get 15% of their tuition for the time spent here.
- Review of board approval of graduates. Scott will do that graduate list.

Old Business

- Mission statement action point was to leave things as they are at this time.

New Business**Graduates Discussion:**

- Emily Sue Arnold Associate of Arts
- Shainah Autumn Marie Henni Associate of Arts
- Shannon Vakoc Associate of Arts
- Kevin David Zaro Associate of Arts

Bachelor of Science degrees as follow:

- Michael M. Fogle Management and Ethics magna cum laude
- Francois Ferdinand Bible and Ministry
- Michelle Babette Gonzales Management and Ethics
- Scott A. Marsh Management and Ethics summa cum laude
- Melissa Dawn Prohs Management and Ethics summa cum laude
- Lacey Marie Fenner Rein Management and Ethics cum laude
- Lura Jean Sedivy Ministry and Leadership magna cum laude

Michelle Babette Gonzales has completed all program hours for a Bachelor of Science in Management and Ethics. However, Summit Christian College is lacking an official transcript for course work that she completed at Longs Peak Academy on April 1, 2012. The official transcript will provide the evidence of successful completion of 20 credit hours. Fourteen of those hours will be transferred into Michelle's degree program as elective courses.

Brett moved to accept the graduates as presented with a second from Willie. Passed.

General Discussion:

- Discussion on getting more traditional students to help the budget and finances.
- About 15 or 16 have graduated from ICL since it started.
- Most students are continuing in the traditional program except for some on academic probation and one other is gone.
- Discussed getting students to be open about their grades and where they are in their schoolwork.
- Mentor program is very important in here.

- Term “cohort” is a group that would start the ICL together. Right now we are not starting another cohort at this time.

Budget Approval:

- Motion to approve the budget by Andy and a second by Lyle. No discussion. Passed unanimously.

Student Handbook Approval:

- First of all, there were only minor changes as we approved for the catalog at prior meeting.
- Today we have the visitor issue to address today.
- A motion was made to accept the visitor policy as changed. Moved to accept by Larry and second by John and was passed.
- Motion to now accept the Student Handbook with new above policy by Willie and second by Larry. Passed unanimously.

New Board Member Approval:

- Matt Branham was interested but wants to visit with his wife and will get back to us in the future.
- Gene Barron not interested at this time due to his schedule.
- Rita VanBoskirk was not visited at this time.
- Merle Powell has said he was interested but we haven't visited with him yet.
- Jonathan Seng is the only one we are voting approval of at this time. Jonathan gave us his hometown story as now minister at Bridgeport, NE since 1991. Graduate of Platte Valley Bible College.
- Motion to approve Jonathan by Lyle and second by John. Passed unanimously.
- Jonathan will be on the Education Committee.

Definition of degree 'Bachelor of Science' discussion of ASL (expands agreement with) you would lose that person on campus for a semester – motion by Larry and seconded by Andy – passed unanimously.

Next meeting is September 15, 2012 at 10:00 AM.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 with Lyle Hinebauch praying.

Respectfully Submitted,

Herb Rainey
Secretary