

Minutes of TED Committee Meeting  
Adams Christian School  
Saturday, Dec. 5, 2015

1. The meeting began at 7:45 am. Members present: Joel Langerak (president), Jon Hop (Treasurer), Nate VanOverloop, Bob Cammenga, Pete Adams, Mike VanderVeen (via Skype), and Rick Mingerink (director)
2. Joel Langerak reads from Psalm 124 and opens in prayer.
3. The minutes of the October 31, 2015 TED meeting were approved as transcribed.
4. Rick gave a written report on his activities and communications over the past period. The report was received for information.
5. Rick presented a proposal to visit Covenant Canadian Reformed Teacher College. Due to the distance, this would be an overnight trip. A motion is made to send three TED delegates (Rick Mingerink, Joel Langerak, Pete Adams) to Covenant Canadian Reformed Teacher College in Hamilton, ON for the purpose of gaining information on the workings of a Reformed Teacher College as it relates to our own goal of a Protestant Reformed teacher training program. Expenses not to exceed \$600. CARRIES.
6. The TED committee instructed Bob Cammenga to write a letter on the committee's behalf to the school boards of Adams and Eastside encouraging approval for Rick and Pete to be absent from school a day to conduct this visit.
7. The committee discussed a draft of a school board questionnaire on the proposed teacher training program. A motion was made to make the following changes: 1.) remove questions 8 and 9 since they are not directly relevant to the teacher training program, 2.) reword question 3, 3.) add a question asking for their feedback on what they see in teacher interviews. CARRIES. This questionnaire will be sent to all member schools by this coming Tuesday, Dec. 8.
8. The committee discussed the nature of the Spring delegate meeting. The committee's vision for this meeting included the following: 1.) All Board delegates will be present in similar fashion as the Fall meeting, 2.) The TED committee will have previously supplied the delegates with answers to likely questions. The questionnaire will be helpful in gathering what possible questions are going to be. 3.) Time will be given for delegates to ask questions and discuss.
9. The committee discussed the Writing Standards and Expectations as it was left off from the previous meeting. Rick furnished a draft letter which contained a list of some of the concerns the committee had on this project. The committee agreed that a Revision Team should be organized from some of the teachers who worked on this in the summer. The Revision Team would address the concerns of the TED committee. One teacher from each grade level category would comprise this Revision Team. Jen Knott would be asked to lead this Revision Team. The intent is to meet with Jen Knott and review the contents of the letter with her. The committee discussed remuneration for the Revision Team. The consensus was \$500/each, but further thought should be given on this. Rick was instructed to re work the letter to include the idea of the Revision Team and remuneration details. The revised letter will be discussed at the next meeting.
10. Jon Hop reported our current balance is \$25,872.61.
11. Mike gave a written report on the progress of the website. The progress is going slower than he thinks it should because he is waiting for Spectrum Net on a number of things. This report was received for information.
12. Rick was instructed to communicate with Spectrum Net and inquire into why they are taking so long and to prod them into picking up speed. We want the website live by Christmas.

13. The committee discussed Mike's handouts on how Christian schools can deal with the homosexual threat. It was agreed that more time was needed to read through them. The committee will come back next meeting to discuss.
14. Rick verbally reported that he has placed a bulletin announcement to all the churches informing prospective teachers to complete an information survey online which helps the TED committee put together the yearly "prospective teacher list".
15. The next meeting is scheduled for January 30 @ 8am.
16. Motion to adjourn CARRIES.
17. Bob Cammenga closed with prayer.