

**Resurrection Lutheran School Board**  
**Open Session Minutes**  
**February 15, 2024**

**Voting Board Members Present:** Mackenzie Sottini, John Heilman, Chris Alladin, Larry Cameron, Fonda Ingram, John Leuenberger, Pat Smith, Chris Johanson  
Via Zoom: Bill Xenakis

**Non-voting Board Members Present:** Carey Reynik  
Via Zoom: Robin Hester  
Absent: Pastor Jonathan Blanke

**Staff Present:** Rosie Creasy  
Absent: Deb Mahan

Presiding Officer Mackenzie Sottini opened the meeting at 6:34 pm and she led the opening prayer.

**Principal's Report**

An "Annual Fund Update" video was made with Robin Hester and Chris Alladin discussing RLS' new safety procedures.

RLS is officially in the Division 2 Triangle Middle School Conference, for athletics. There are 6 other teams and there will be conference tournaments.

The "Spring Program" will be held on May 14th, Art and STEM are the focus.

Afterschool Clubs for 3rd-8th graders are Dance, Art, Basketball (starting soon), Baseball, and Run Club.

Summer Camps are STEM camp, and Basketball camp. Erika Hulse will have 4 different camps for younger elementary students. VBS will be offered through RLC.

**Admissions and Marketing**

The goal is to have 175+ students enrolled for the 2024-2025 school year.

"Walk in Wednesday" is from 9:45 -11:00 am. Prospective parents may come and have a school tour. The focus will be increasing Kindergarten and 6th grade. There are still a few glitches to be worked out with the new Webpage before it can be launched.

The NC Ties Conference is March 7th and 8th. RLS will have a Talent Show on March 8th. RLS Choirs will perform on March 10th, Robin and Tyler Timm will do Temple Talks in church. The PSO is hosting "Spring Fling" at the Matthews House on April 5th.

### **Teacher Rep News**

Carey reported that all is well.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Financial Aid Committee will meet soon to discuss aid for the 2024-2025 school year.

Due to more full-time teachers and an increase in the benefits enrollment, the Benefits budget item is significantly more than expected. There are enough available funds to cover this via our current surplus.

Tuition Deposits are coming in now, and trending as usual.

The NC State Opportunity grant has 4 Tiers and granting for financial aid will begin soon.

### **Motion**

Chris Alladin made a motion that Financial Aid approval for the 2024-2025 year is no more than 15% of gross tuition.

John H. seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### **Committee Updates**

Chris Johanson reported on the Math Committee meeting. Four different curriculums were chosen and will be evaluated on 9 criteria. The Board encouraged committee members to look for curriculums that enabled students to use pencil/paper when solving math problems as well as digital support. The committee will meet in late February to go over their findings.

*Presiding Officer Mackenzie Sottini adjourned the meeting at 7:24 pm.  
Minutes submitted by Secretary, Chris Johanson.*