

Conference of Delegates Meeting
Wednesday, August 12, 2009
7:30 PM
Agenda

- 1. Opening Devotion** Chairman, Pastor Jonathan Rimmert

- 2. Mission / Vision / Objectives Review**
MISSION STATEMENT
Luther High School provides a Christ-centered education that encourages and equips students for life and for eternity.
VISION STATEMENT
Luther High School desires that its students, mindful of baptismal grace, live the holiness that God gave to them in Christ.
OBJECTIVES
Therefore, Luther High School will keep Christ in higher education by:
 1. faithfully proclaiming and applying the Word of God through the teaching of classes, life skills, and activities in accordance with the Lutheran Confessions.
 2. promoting spiritual growth and maturity through the proper use of God's Law and Gospel
 3. encouraging and training students to testify and witness to the Gospel of Christ throughout their lives
 4. instilling a desire for knowledge, understanding and wisdom while taking "every thought captive and making it obedient to Christ." -- 2 Corinthians 10:5

- 3. Minutes** Secretary Dr. Gregg Henckel

- 4. Principal's Report** Mr. Paul Wichmann

- 5. Education Committee Report** Mr. Dave Leibl

- 6. Finance Committee Report** Mr. Jim Mendell & Mrs. Nancy Rieck

- 7. Building and Grounds Committee Report** Mr. Richard Dorn

- 8. Friends of Luther Report** Pastor Roger Sachs

- 9. Ministry of Christian Giving** Mr. Tom DeWitz

- 10. Luther High School Foundation Report** Mr. John Pieper

- 11. Old Business**

12. New Business

A. Nominations Committee Report

Mr. Essig, and Mr. Mendell served as the nominating committee. We extend our thanks to these men for this service.

B. Acknowledgement: Mr. Essig and Mr. Mendell have completed their elected terms and conclude their current service on the Board of Control. Pastor Wessel and Mr. Ekhoﬀ have completed their first term on the Board of Control. We thank our heavenly Father for providing these men who served faithfully and express our gratitude to them for using their God-given time and talents in service to their Lord at Luther High School.

C. Board of Control Elections

D. Installation of new Board of Control Members (Following the COD meeting the Board will meet to elect officers and determine committee membership)

13. Adjournment Lord's Prayer

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Principal's Report**

School Year Theme

“But as for me, I watch in hope for the Lord, I wait for God my Savior; my God will hear me.” (Micah 7:7)

Enrollment: We concluded the 2008-09 school year with an enrollment of 268.

As of August 6, 2009, our enrollment for the coming school year will be;

9th - **61**, 10th - **75**, 11th - **61**, 12th - **58** **TOTAL 255**

A smaller 8th grade class this past year in our LES's and 74 graduates in Luther's Class of 2009 impacted our current enrollment. There may be other transfers both to and from Luther High School before the start of school.

The privilege to assist parents with the Christ-centered instruction and training of their children is indeed God's blessing for which we give thanks.

In-Service - Topics included in this year's faculty in-service meetings included:

- National Alliance on Mental Illness – Parents and Teachers as Allies
- Bullying (There will also be a student lyceum presentation on this topic on September 4 – Presenters Joshua and Kami Jo Lipps, members of Good Shepherd, Holmen and counselors at “Living Well Christian Family Clinic”)
- Various Program Regulations and Guidelines including: Fire Protection, Hazard Communication, Bloodborne Pathogen Control and Exposure, Personal Protective Equipment, Medical and First Aid, Chemical and Biological Hygiene, Control of Hazardous Energy
- Understanding by Design
- Faculty Handbook review

Opening Service – Our 2009-10 school begins with the opening service at 2:00 PM on Sunday, August 23. Pastor Riediger, Christ Lutheran, West Salem, will be the speaker, Pastor Anthony Straseke, Grace Lutheran, Ridgeway will be the liturgist, and Sam Wessel, LHS senior, will be the organist.

MLC Student Teachers - During the first semester Miss Rosenberg is being assigned a student teacher, Miss Amanda Koch. Mr. Hagedorn, and Mr. Benrud will serve as supervisors for Mr. Aaron Schultz, a second student teacher from MLC. Housing is needed for these two student teachers during their student teaching experience from October 19 through December 18. If you are able to assist with this need, please contact Mr. Wichmann.

WELSAA & WCRIS – The ongoing goals for continuing accreditation are printed as a separate report.

Education Committee Report for Aug 2009 CoD Meeting

Survey – A survey was sent in June to the faculty, staff, Board, Association Pastors, Association Principals and many of the parents of 2009 LHS graduating class.

Questions include:

- What is your overall satisfaction with Luther High School?
- How welcome do you feel at our school?
- What do you feel are Luther High School's areas of strength?
- What do you feel are Luther High School's areas of need?
- What could Luther High School do to improve a student's high school experience?
- What question(s) would you like addressed in a subsequent survey?

82 surveys were returned. Results of this survey will be shared in a future meeting and through a newsletter.

Computer Upgrades – Over the summer our servers were upgraded. We are now running in a virtualized environment which reduces hardware costs, reduces energy costs and improves disaster recovery. Luther High School is looking to partner with Onalaska School District to reciprocate disaster recovery sites.

Onalaska High School Summer PE class – The Board approved the use of our track for a bike rodeo that will be part of their summer PE class curriculum. Onalaska School District and Luther High School have an excellent ongoing relationship of working together to accommodate various events. The Onalaska School District provides their own insurance and names Luther High School as co-insured for this event.

Basketball Shooting Camp – Summer 2010 – The Board approved the Jay Wolf's Star Shooter Camp.

- Suggested cost per camper is \$49
- Grade levels 5-12 (boys and girls)
- There is no charge to the school. 30 camper minimum. (60 camper maximum)
- Would promoted within the LHS student body and LES association grade schools

Boys' Tennis 09-10 – The boys tennis program may resume in the 09-10 season. This program had been temporarily suspended because of lack of participation.

Band Festival - Luther High School will host the 2010 Double Regional WELS Band Festival March 12 -14. A concert will take place on Sunday afternoon on the 14th. Every year is either a regional or a national band festival. For 2010, marking the 50th Anniversary, the band directors, understanding this was regional year felt it was in the best interest of the students to have the 50th at one site and include more students in this wonderful blessing from God. Luther High School is set up to host this event. Two bands will be selected of 70 members each. Both gyms can be used for rehearsal with the concert taking place in the ACE and still have enough seating. The directors of Onalaska High School and West Salem High School have offered the use of their equipment for this event.

Luther High School hosted the first Band Festival, the 25th Band Festival and now has the opportunity to host the 50th Band festival.

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- A. Night Janitor:** Greg Dobrunz is our new second shift janitor. Please greet him when you have the opportunity.
- B. Energy Conservation:** Approved using a total of \$9000 of the Cell Tower funds (\$8,000 more than previously approved) to replace all the fixtures in the east and west hallways (including the study hall) and all the rooms off them. This will entail replacing over 200 fixtures and will earn a \$10 per fixture rebate. Energy conservation will generate a payback in two to three years. The work has gone very well and meeting the September 30 deadline will be no problem.
- C. Bus Routes:** The Board of Control approved a ride/share contract with Aquinas Schools for the 2009-2010 school year. The cooperative effort will enable Luther to add a separate Lewiston/Ridgeway/ Nodine/ Dakota route, extend the Stoddard route closer to Viroqua (Hwy 56 and O, run the Winona route on the Wisconsin side (Centerville, Galesville, Holmen, Onalaska), and use Aquinas' route that runs Hwy33 from Middle Ridge to La Crosse.
- Aquinas will be able to use our routes to accommodate their students.
- Luther will maintain control of closing school for inclement weather.
- D. Kitchen Help:** Lisa Black (Mrs. Roy Black) will be the new cook for our food service program. Please greet her as you have the opportunity.
- E. Operation Red Dragon:** The use of the facility by the 457th Chemical Battalion was uneventful. As with the last group, the use of the facility was greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Reinhart Foods and Kwik Trip for their donations of breakfast muffins and pizza respectively.
- F. Building Security:** Phil Niemir from St. Francis Medical Center is in the process of evaluating our building security. Recommendations will be forthcoming.