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“For the eyes of the LORD range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to Him...”

2 Chronicles 16:9a

Board Summary

The Trinity Oaks Board of Trustees met on Monday, August 10, at 7 p.m. The following topics were covered:

- Devotions centered on our school verse. Board members spent time praying in each classroom and the office for teachers and students by name.
- The school and Board calendar were reviewed.
- HOS Report: Plans are in full swing for the beginning of school. Teachers have already been coming in to work on their rooms and plan for the year. Enrollment currently stands at 184, with additional families still in various stages of the admissions process. We're thankful for every student and ask for you to pray especially for new students in our preschool. The junior high retreat will be at Lake Geneva Youth Center on 9/3-9/4. The district has completed various projects around the building this summer. Professional development for the school year will continue with the emphasis on differentiated instruction, led by Dr. Laurie Mathias from Trinity College. The second SMART Board will be installed in the 4th grade room and the new document camera will be in the science lab. Basketball camp (16 students) was last week, facilitated by the Trinity College women's coach and some Trinity players. Volleyball camp is scheduled for the upcoming week. The Fall Banquet is October 17.
- HOPE Report: Upcoming events were highlighted. Enthusiasm for HOPE events is evident as the school year begins.
- Financial Report: An article about the impact of the economy on Christian schools nationwide was reviewed. Although TOCA's enrollment has not dropped dramatically (6%), we

want to continue to be aware of the challenges that may come in the future and be vigilant in prayer.

- Prayer is requested for the Board as they consider strategic long-term plans.
- The meeting was adjourned in prayer.

Special Note from the Board

The Board of Trustees has made a difficult but prudent decision to eliminate the AM-Kindergarten class this school year due to lack of enrollment. We regret that Shea Wisler, a loved and valued teacher, will no longer be part of our faculty as a result. We thank Shea for her many years of service to Trinity Oaks and look forward to the Wislers continuing to be a part of the Trinity Oaks community.

First Day Coffee

Please join us in the cafeteria on Monday, 8/31, at 8:30 a.m. for coffee and refreshments. This is a great opportunity to meet other TOCA families, pick up carpool tags and handbooks, and sign up for various volunteer opportunities. All are invited and welcome to attend.

Mark Your Calendars

There are many exciting events coming up that you will not want to miss! Please make note of the following:

- Monday 9/7 Labor Day (No School)
- Thursday 9/10 Back to School Night PK-5th 7 p.m.
- Monday 9/14 All School Late Start 9:25 a.m.
- Tuesday 9/15 Back to School Night 6th-8th 7 p.m.
- Saturday 9/26 Stade Farm Family Fall Festival
- Friday 10/16 Grandparents' Day
- Saturday 10/17 Fall Banquet

Junior High Retreat

Pray for our junior high students, teachers, and chaperones as they head to Lake Geneva Youth Camp 9/3-9/4 for team building, bonding and fellowship. Students will leave Thursday morning at drop-off and return at the end of the school day on Friday.

Check Out Our New Spirit Wear

We have added blue and gold tees and hoodies with new logos to our spirit wear collection! Samples are hanging in the hallway and orders were taken at the picnic. We will have a small supply on hand for those who missed the picnic; otherwise we may place an additional order after school starts depending on how many request them.

Weekly Office Communication

Each Friday, your family will receive a large, white Tyvek envelope from the school office. Make sure to check the first Tyvek for your family directory and school calendar. Also, if you have not had the chance to pick it up, your TOCA Handbook will be sent home via Tyvek.

We Appreciate Our Volunteers

Have you seen how beautiful the school looks inside and out? We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to the volunteers this summer who gave up personal time to serve our school. Special thanks to Steve Losey, Katie Haslow, Candice Bock and the Dorn family for landscaping the planters in front; Chrissy Viegas for weeding and trimming bushes (in the rain!); classroom volunteers Juliette Crawford, Brenda Morrison, and Terri Craig; Gwen Wolschlager and Gay Wilson for bulletin board help; Linda Dzialo for bringing in the painting crew and cleaning; Annette Podgorski for Sam's Club shopping; David Barry for installing our new SMART Board; student volunteers Talia Duzey and Jamie Losey; alumni volunteers Micah Duzey and Maggie Losey just to name a few! We couldn't run the school without our faithful servants!

Save the Date

Mark your calendars now for the annual Fall Banquet on Saturday, October 17 at 7 p.m. You won't want to miss our guest speaker, Dr. Glen Schultz, Headmaster of Sherwood Christian Academy. This church and school produced the movies *Facing the Giants*, *Fireproof*, and *Flywheel*.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, 8/31

First Day of School-Welcome Back!
Welcome Coffee 8:30 a.m.-Cafeteria
Early Dismissal 11:25 a.m.

Tuesday, 9/1

First Day of School for Preschool
VB Practice 3 p.m.-5 p.m.
Cross Country 3 p.m.-4 p.m.

Wednesday, 9/2

Gro' Zone
VB Practice 3 p.m.-5 p.m.

Thursday, 9/3

Mrs. Haskin's Birthday
Junior High Retreat-Leave 8:30 a.m.

Friday, 9/4

Junior High Returns 3 p.m.

Sports Corner

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: We are excited to begin a new year of inter- :
: scholastic sports at Trinity Oaks! Our cross :
: country team has been preparing all summer :
: long, and they are ready to let the races be- :
: gin! The girls' volleyball team has also been :
: hard at work with volleyball camp and prac- :
: tices. Please come show your support and :
: cheer on our student athletes!
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