

## The Covenant Preparatory School Board Meeting Minutes October 6, 2022

**Attending Members:** Kyle Lipstreu Chris Pitts Jeff Rogers Ali Trousdale Kenny Ryan

Tom Wood

Also Attending: Lorraine Hill
Absent Member: Robert White

The Covenant Preparatory School Board meeting was called to order by Kyle Lipstreu at approximately 6:31 pm. The meeting took place at The Covenant Preparatory School campus. Jeff Rogers opened the meeting in prayer. The meeting began with a modified parent session focused on the school's marketing plan. Four parents were in the discussion, and one parent joined by phone.

Lorraine began the marketing session with an overall perspective of Covenant's current marketing plan, value proposition, marketing to middle and high school students, enhancement of social media, enhancement of Covenant website, efforts to improve community awareness, development of church & preschool relationships, and development of alum relationships. Following Lorraine's presentation, Kyle and Lorraine led a brainstorming session around the marketing plan involving the parents and board. The parent session ended at 7:55.

The board then moved into regularly scheduled agenda items. First, Dr. Erica Nevenglosky presented a committee report on the Feasibility of Offering Special Education Services. The report detailed the committee's conclusions. Discussion followed to clarify the levels of additional help that are available to the students of Covenant. In summary, the committee found it not feasible for Covenant to offer Special Education Services at this time based on academic impacts, faculty constraints, impact on students, cost and liability considerations, and accommodation requirements.

The board entered an executive session.

After the executive session, Kyle Lipstreu moved to defer discussion on the board self-evaluation until the November 3 meeting. Next, Kyle presented a continuing education topic to the board for consideration, and Tom Wood agreed to assist. The board then discussed the next board update to the community regarding content and timing. Last, Kyle provided an update regarding the capital projects committee formation.

Lorraine Hill then presented to the board an update regarding the ACSI annual report. Lorraine provided the board with fiscal year-end financials and cash flow projections. Lorraine presented the board with a committee report regarding the feasibility of Covenant joining Houston Area Private Schools (HAPS). The committee concluded that HAPS is not a feasible option for Covenant as a 1-A school.

Chris Pitts provided an update regarding the pending sale of the lower tract of land. Kyle led a discussion regarding new board members. Jeff Rogers reviewed the board calendar. September 1, 2022, meeting minutes approval was deferred for a correction.

The next board meeting is currently scheduled for Thursday, November 3, 2022, at 6:30 pm at The Covenant Preparatory School campus. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Rogers