



GRAND RAPIDS ADVENTIST ACADEMY

September 17, 2018

GRAA Constituency Delegates
Constituent Pastors
Constituent Head Elders
Constituent Clerks

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter is to announce the convening of the Grand Rapids Adventist Academy regular Constituency Meeting to take place on Monday, October 1, 2018. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the GRAA music room.

We would ask that Pastors, Head Elders and Clerks make sure this meeting is announced in your local church bulletins and that the appropriate delegates are informed. Delegates, please bring this packet with you to the meeting.

Included with this letter you will find important items that will be covered at the upcoming meeting. Please look these items over before coming to the meeting. If you wish to have additional information on any of the agenda items please contact the school. They will direct you to the correct individuals.

Your prayers and your participation in this meeting are both very important to our school and its continued ministry in the lives of our students. Thank you for your dedication to Adventist Christian education and to the growth of our local Academy.

Sincerely,

Pastor Bob Stewart
GRAA Constituency Chairperson



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Constituency Meeting Agenda

October 1, 2018 7:00 PM

Educating for Life and Eternity

1. 7:00 PM - Call to Order
2. Worship
3. May 7, 2018 Constituency Meeting Minutes
4. Principal's Report
5. Financial Report
6. Presentation of 2018-2019 Final Budget
7. By-laws Recommendations
8. Adjourn

GRAND RAPIDS ADVENTIST ACADEMY

Constituency Meeting Minutes

May 7, 2018 7:00 PM

Educating for Life and Eternity

PRESENT

Pastor Bob Stewart, Constituency Chairperson

Charlotte Green, GRAA Principal

Cori Hernandez, Recording Secretary

CENTRAL DELEGATES (5):

Paul Adams

Vernon Alger

David Shull

Michael Mattzela

Doug LaFave (Alternate)

MARANATHA SPANISH DELEGATES (5) & PASTOR:

Pastor Leeroy Hernandez

Menorca Peguero

Gloria Morillo

Otoniel Cabrera (Alternate)

ROGERS HEIGHTS SPANISH DELEGATES (5) & PASTOR:

Pastor Eric Del Valle

Eyssy Moore

Rosa Del Valle (Alternate)

WYOMING DELEGATES (5) & PASTOR:

Pastor Dan Rachor

Yvonne Green

Anca Nickelson

Traci Quick

Larry Nelson

ROCKFORD THREE ANGELS DELEGATES (5) & PASTOR:

Pastor Daniel McGrath

Wes Bush

Randy Brockman

Marica Boyce

Athena Heredia
Jared Leker
Misael Lopez (Alternate)
Nicholas Shultz (Alternate)

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:

Nereida Martinez, School Board Chairperson
Scott Evans, Assistant Chair of Finances
Lynn Snelling, Financial Manager
Dr. Sunimal Kulasekere, Education Department of Michigan Conference

GUESTS:

Amanda Walter, Tim Rasmussen, Candice Vinton, Dale Vinton.

Pastor Bob Stewart
Call to Order

7:00 PM

Pastor Bob Stewart

PRAYER

WORSHIP

A devotional talk by Pastor Dan Rachor, Constituency Pastor.

November 2017 Constituency Minutes 17/18 – 13C

MOTION: To approve the November 2017 Constituency Minutes as sent out.

VOTED: To carry the motion

Principal's report as presented by Charlotte Green, Grand Rapids Adventist Academy Principal:

- Started year with 94 students, ending with 97
- We opened registration in February and started with the event with a band event with Chromebook registration available to parents to enroll early
- Expected enrollment for next year is 92 students, possibly 98.
- New flyers for GRAA that are available to the churches. Highlighting that we are providing AP classes for Biology and Chemistry which the test is available for college Freshman credits, depending on the college the student chooses to attend. AP tests also help with GPA. Also, we are looking to possibly add more AP classes in the next two years.
- We have a National Honors Society.
- 5-6 graders participate in Outdoor Education by Dr. Atkins
- Our Seniors went to Boston for Senior History Trip.
- 8th graders are currently in St. Louis on class trip.
- Our HS music program visits a church once a month and our Elementary music program visits a church once a quarter.
- High school took a Music Tour up to the U.P., performing at different churches.
- HS also participated in Choir Festival at Andrews University this past year.
- As the spiritual aspect of our school, this year we had a optional Bible exploration class run by one of our local bible workers, giving open space for students to ask questions about the bible and to study.

- Kenya Mission trip was taken to heart by our students. They really loved and owned the program, really showing their love for God’s mission.
- We put on our own bible camp at Camp Au Sable for our high school students. This year’s speaker was Pr. Chad Bernard.
- 8th Graders also go to Teen Bible Camp at Camp Au Sable put on by the Michigan Conference.
- This next Spring, is our accreditation and we are preparing for this.

Scott Evans, Assistant Chair of Finances, presenting the financial report:

- pg. 2 is the balance sheet. The C-03 “cash in bank” looking at March of this year compared to last year. C-83, the DeVos church portion, is money that is not money that will be used for the school at all and we subtract this total from the cash-in-bank.
- Pg. 4 is the Final Budget that was voted on by this body in the fall with total loss of \$114,959.
- Pg. 5 the functional activity summary, at bottom that says “total functions.” We come to a \$64,312 loss.
- Pg. 6, gives you an idea where unallocated income is going, breaking it down into its different categories.
- Pg. 7 is the breakdown of SMART of collecting tuition.
- After a week after Spring Break was over, we had \$0 past balance. All tuitions were paid.
- The DeVos plan is something that DeVos itself funds where churches will use the money for the programs held at the churches for family strengthening programs. The funds come in grant form that GRAA holds and distributes to six churches.

MARCH FINANCIAL REPORT 17/18 – 14C

MOTION: To approve the financial report from March 2018.

VOTED: To carry the motion

Scott Evans, Assistant Chair of Finances, presenting the 2018-2019 Preliminary Budget:

- Loss shown for \$53,741.
- We had a \$169,000 deficit and brought it down significantly by increasing tuition and increasing subsidy.
- The Capital fund as of February was \$140,355. One goal is not to recommend a budget that doesn't have a potential loss for this year and projected loss for next year would not exceed \$140,000.
- Subsidy went from 12.5% to 14%
- Tuition will be \$4,900 constituency K-8, \$8,540 for 9-12 constituency students.

2018-2019 PRELIMINARY BUDGET 17/18 – 15C

MOTION: To approve the 2018-2019 Preliminary Budget as presented.

VOTED: To carry the motion

Adjourn 17/18 – 16C

MOTION: To adjourn

VOTED: To carry the motion

CLOSING PRAYER

Closing Prayer by Pastor Bob Stewart

Pastor Bob Stewart, Constituency Chairperson
Charlotte Green, Principal