# Monroe Christian School Society

## WHAT is the Monroe Christian School Society?

The Society is the governing body of Monroe Christian School. The Society elects the School Board and approves the annual budget.

# WHO can be a member of the Society?

Parents are eligible to become Society members if they have a child at MCS and meet the constitutional requirements (see "Parent-Student Handbook"). A person may become a Society member, even if they don't have a child attending MCS, if they are over 18 years of age and pay an annual fee of \$250 (no fee for MCS parents).

#### **HOW** does a parent become a member?

The Society accepts new members at the Annual Society Business Meeting. Parents who wish to become voting members of the Society must attend the Annual Society Business Meeting and sign the Membership Roster. The full Society then votes to accept new members during the meeting.

# WHEN does the Society meet?

The Society has a yearly business meeting in May/June, along with other meetings that are called by the School Board to discuss unanticipated issues, seek approval for building/expansion projects, or other business, as needed.

# WHY do we have a Society? What are the responsibilities of its members?

The ability of Monroe Christian School to fulfill its mission is dependent upon the participation of a unified, committed, and informed groups of parents willing to make the best decisions for the life of the school. Attendance and participation at Society meetings, involvement in various school committees and parent clubs, and volunteering at the school all help MCS fulfill the goal of partnering with parents and the church in making Christian disciples. In addition, parents are encouraged to attend and be involved in a healthy, well-balanced church with their children. Finally, it is expected that when problems or questions arise concerning teachers, students, or the school, these conflicts be dealt with in a Biblical manner, full of grace and respect for all involved.

# Monroe Christian School Society (from handbook)

The Monroe Christian School Society is the name of the corporation that owns Monroe Christian School. Membership in the corporation is comprised of parents who have children in Monroe Christian School and interested persons who submit a yearly membership fee and who meet the following two constitutional requirements:

- 1. Agree that the purpose of the Monroe Christian School Society is to establish and maintain a school or schools for the dissemination of instruction to children, such instruction should be directed toward the end that these children may occupy their places worthily in society, church, and state.
- 2. Agree that the basis of this Society is the infallible Word of God as interpreted by the Reformed Standards (Canons of Dort, Belgic Confessions, and the Heidelberg Catechism) and/or the Westminster Confessions. The Society is governed by the following guiding principles:
  - a. That all things have been created to the end that God may be glorified in and through them;
  - b. That God, by His wise covenant arrangement has appointed parents to be responsible for the training of the child(ren) to the end that God in His glory shall be central and supreme in life's total experience;
  - c. That the training of the child shall be continued under the parent's responsible supervision in a school that carries out the basic God-honoring, God-centered program begun in the home.

The Monroe Christian School Society meets annually, at a minimum, to elect new Board members, discuss the business of the school, and approve the annual budget. Its members must vote each new member into the Society.