

Lake Norman Charter School
Board Meeting Minutes – Open Session
October 7, 2010

Board Members Present:

- Tricia Sisson – Chair
- Bill Farber – Vice Chair
- Kathleen Eid-Heberle - Secretary
- Eddie Bethea
- Anita Blowers
- Rich Bovard
- Tom Ghareeb
- Cathy Moore
- Cynthia Bush - non voting
- Tim Riemer – non voting

Administrative staff present: Shannon Stein, Michelle Harrison, Terri Costa, Mike McAlpin, Lori Hughes, Matt Schleger

Call to order 6:37 pm

Motion by Cathy, second by Eddie, to move into closed session at 6:37 pm. Motion carried.

Motion by Tom, second by Rich, to return to open session at 7:00 pm. Motion carried.

Motion by Tom, second by Anita, to approve both open & closed session minutes from September. Motion carried.

PTO Report: (Karen Clark)

- Results of fundraising efforts provided (Entrainment Books: \$19,000.00, Carpool Raffle: \$7,000.00, Cookie Dough: in progress).
- Each teacher was given a \$100.00 allotment for classroom materials.
- At the September PTO meeting funding (\$9,000.00) for various identified curriculum needs was approved.
- Upcoming events: Staff Lunch October 22, 2010 and Jr. Class Ring Ceremony November 2, 2010.

Public Comments:

- None

Managing Director's Report: (Tim Riemer)

- School Activity Buses
 - Mr. Scott Abel was recognized for procuring buses for the school.
 - School identifying stickers were placed on the buses and the buses should be on the road within a week.
- MS Progress Reports
 - There was a delay with sending MS progress reports out due to a power failure at the school.

- Budget
 - The school budget was based on a total enrollment of 1450 HS and MS students. The final actual daily number was 1461 students resulting in higher than anticipated allotment from the state.
- Development Committee
 - Merchandise with new logo progressing well.
- Communication
 - Two weekly newsletters in the new format have been distributed.
 - Ms. Marie Joseph has been instructed on the formatting of the newsletter and will take over those responsibilities. The necessary software has been purchased.
 - Links from paid advertisers will be included in the newsletters.
 - The school is considering including twitter and facebook as social medias.
 - The new LNCS website should go live in 4 weeks.
- Fundraising/ Grants
 - Collaboration with IBM, Clorox and Jimmy Johnson Foundation.
 - Corporate donors being sought.

Treasurer's Report: (Tom Ghareeb)

- Budget costs and revenues will be shared in December.
- Settlement money with CMS for 2009-2010 was \$234, 000.00.

Prudential 401K and Supplemental State Retirement Plan: (Loraine Rodriguez)

- A presentation regarding the 457 Supplemental State Retirement Plan from Prudential was given. Currently only a 401K plan is available to all full-time employees at LNCS.
- There would be no cost to the school for adopting the supplemental plan.

Technology: (Kim Ribbans)

- An overview of LNC's technological initiative was provided.
- A presentation by Nathan Honea and Brain Goddard (owner) of gTECHserv was given to illustrate how they could assist LNC in remaining technologically current and relevant in education.

Policy & Personnel Report: (Tim Riemer)

- Community Use Policy (Buildings and Grounds) reviewed: Recommendation that the policy be reviewed with counsel.
- Valedictorian/ Salutatorian Tie-Breaker Determination Policy reviewed: Suggestion that the wording in item #1, first bullet point, be amended to state "the higher score in either the SAT or ACT will be used".
Motion by Anita, second by Bill, to approve the policy with the amended statement "the higher score in either the SAT or ACT will be used" for item #1, first bullet point. Motion carried.
- Policy on Concurrent Enrollment reviewed
Motion by Anita, second by Bill, to approve the Policy on Concurrent Enrollment. Motion carried.
- Student, Parent and Staff Handbook: Policies in the Handbook are currently being reviewed and should be completed by the end of October.

New Business: (Tim Riemer)

- Organizational Chart reviewed.
 - Recommended revisions:
 - HS & MS - Lines from teachers be converted from dotted to solid.
 - HS – Separate Teacher and Counselors.
 - Separate Coaches and Assistant Coaches

Motion by Bill, second by Anita, to approve the organizational chart with the recommended changes. Motion carried.

Motion by Bill, second by Kathleen, to move to Closed Session at 8:25 pm. Motion carried.

Motion by Anita, second by Bill, to move back into open session at 9:50 pm. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.

Kathleen Eid-Heberle, Secretary