



Lake Norman Charter Board Meeting Minutes

Open Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2017

General Meeting

Attending: Steve Jones, Anna Blackwelder, Ricky Jones, Thomas McElroy, Cynthia Bush, Kyle Burkey, Rick Buckler, Shannon Stein - Superintendent

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM by Steve Jones

Approval of March and April Minutes

Motion to approve the March and April minutes by Thom McElroy, Ricky Jones seconds, motion carries

I. Support Organization

- A. PTO:
 - i. Currently working with the board for next year. A parent from Grand Oak will be taking over as president.
 - ii. The spring allotment forms are almost complete.
 - iii. They are still working on getting buddy families.
 - iv. The PTO is helping with the rec and field day, and the last staff appreciation will be this Friday with the pizza dash and go.
- B. Athletic Boosters: NONE

II. Superintendent's Report

- A. High School Student Council Presentation (Students: Alex Ponce, Madeline Pennington, Ma'Nai Kerr, Kezia Johnson)
 - i. The students discussed their year in review, as well as the state conference they attended in the spring. The major keys to success they discussed were the following: Snapchat, President newsletter, visual announcements, and promoting better school spirit.
 - ii. Current presidents feels confident the council is in a good place and is excited for the next council year.
- B. Theater Recognition by Mr. Willets
 - i. In the spring, the theater students went to compete for the state title. They were in the top 10 of all students who performed.
 - ii. Charter was recognized as having the best live musicians in the country. Ben Dukes, Christian Sturt, and Edward Stuart were given an award for their live performance.
 - iii. Three of Charter's actors received an award for acting: Harry Manz, Jase Padgett, and Teddy Dano.
 - iv. Eight students auditioned for colleges and Aaron Allen took the most call backs with Jacob LaVoie coming in second.
- C. Mr. Kendrick took eight students to Chicago to compete at Math Con. They took home two bronze medals, one silver and an honorable mention.

- D. Next week the 8th grade boot camp will begin with Jamie Lord helping the 8th graders transition from the iPads to laptops.
- E. Ms. Stein has been asked to speak at the State Board of Education on a panel in regards to the new federal Every Student Succeed Act. This will take place on May 30th.
 - a. According to Niche, Charter is recognized as one of the top schools in the metro area and Charter has been acknowledged as an USA World Gold Status – top 500 schools in the nation.

III. Finance Update

- A. Currently looking at financial advisors; have a front runner.
- B. The goal is to get the budget to the board by June 1st.

IV. Old Business

- A. Strategic Planning Committees
 - i. Knight's Fund – NONE
 - ii. Technology – Had to switch to a new laptop because the one selected was no longer available but was given upgraded machine (i.e. faster processor) at the same cost. They finished updating the tech policy, and are now looking into E-rate funding. This will help with the infrastructure.
 - iii. College Counseling – This year's class has raised \$7.7 million dollars in scholarship money and the number continues to increase. Tuesday is Senior Awards night, and graduation practice is June 2nd with graduation on June 3rd. The parade of seniors through the middle school went very well.
 - iv. Global Diversity & Inclusion – The teacher planning group did a pilot with staff a few weeks ago that went very well. They are looking to make the module an expectation for new employees and thinking about making a phase II.
 - v. Campus Master Plan/Elementary School Construction – The buildings are set and the water is completed. The water meter will be working as of tomorrow; however, we cannot access the water for two weeks so they can flush out all the toxins. Administration building is with plumbing. The football fields are getting Bermuda grass. The playground will be installed on Monday. The Town of Huntersville made an agreement that we do not have to make other improvements on the offsite areas as of now. They approved the last permit for the building which we should have tomorrow. They are waiting on Town of Huntersville for lighting approval. The goal is to have Michelle in her office by June 16th.
 - vi. Elementary Planning Update – Michelle introduced her new staff and they are currently starting to plan and prepare for next year.

V. New Business

- A. Member Selection Update
 - i. Cynthia and Kevin will be rolling off the board next month and they have 15 applicants interested in joining the board. They hope to have the two names for recommendation by the next Board meeting.
- B. New Staff Recommendations
 - ii. Elementary staff introduced by Ms. Holland
 - iii. New Middle School Staff introduced by Dr. Graham
 - iv. Hayley Wilson was recommended for the Director of Business Services.

Thom McElroy motions to approve the new staff recommendations; Ricky Jones seconds; motion carries.

C. 2016-2017 Calendar

- i. Need to change May 23 – 25th to full days for the middle school. Students cannot be released until all State testing has been completed.

Cynthia Bush motions to approve the changes to the 2016-2017 calendar; Rick seconds; motion carries.

Motion to adjourn by Ricky Jones to enter closed session pursuant to Pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes § 143-318.11(a)(6), seconded by Rick Buckler, motion carried at 8:04.

Cynthia Bush motions to adjourn close session at 8:40PM; Kyle Burkey seconds; motion carries.

Cynthia Bush motions to open session at 8:40 PM; Thomas McElroy seconds; motion carries.

Cynthia Bush motions to adjourn at 8:55 PM; Kyle Burkey seconds; motion carries.