

MMCS Meeting Minutes

6:00 pm

April 10th, 2023

255 S. May Street

Southern Pines, NC 28387

Present: Ben Greene, Ronda Hawkins, Paul Murphy, Rocky Rhodes, Debra Gray, Taylor Clement and Kristin Richmond. Present on conference line: Fallon Brewington Other school personnel present: Jennifer Sifford.

1. Call to Order at 6:05 pm. School mission statement read by Ben.
2. No public comment present.
3. Updates
 - i. Board Updates
 1. Katie thanked everyone who was able to make it to the 7th grade presentation to the board.
 2. Chris Jordan has received keys to B Building and is starting the next steps.
 - ii. General School Updates
 1. There are 10 weeks of school left which is going to be very busy for the school including: Spring Open House, NC Check ins, EOG testing, Field day, and more.
 2. The school is preparing for three camps. Two are for students to prepare and to retake the EOG and one that is used for lower elementary students to work on foundational skills.
 3. The school is going to change Friday aftercare during the 2023/24 school year. The Boys and Girls Club will be taking over our Friday aftercare program.
 4. The two major positions have been filled for the 2023/24 school year.
 5. There is a school wide view for NWEA Map testing data. Students have shown progress and are at or above national averages.
 6. The middle school received another grant for a greenhouse.
 7. Teacher licensure has now been added into the state budget passed by the house. Which will allow a Montessori trained teacher to receive their license in North Carolina.
 - iii. Financial Updates, *available 4/10*
 1. We have three months left in the school year. 50% of the surplus listed covers funds that have been raised for the capital campaign.
5. Board Action Items
 - i. MMCS March Board Meeting Minutes

Rocky motioned to approve the March board meeting minutes. Debra seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

ii. 2023/24 FY Operating Budget

Ben asked to postpone the vote on the operating budget based on the conversation in closed session about staff salaries.

iii. Internet Safety Policy

Katie explained the internet safety policy to the board.

Debra moved to approve the internet safety policy. Ronda seconded the motion.

Taylor questioned if the policies should be listed in both policies.

Taylor made a motion to amend the motion for both policies to be referenced on the other policy. Paul seconded the motion to amendment. The ademend motion carried unanimously.

Paul motioned to move the board into closed session. Rocky seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously. Board moved into closed session at 6:30 pm.

6. Closed Session (purpose: slate of employee contracts)

Board returned to the open meeting at 7:40pm.

Fallon moved that we approve the budget as presented in closed session with a line item added for building renovations, Rocky seconded. All voted in favor carrying the motion.

Ronda moved to adjourn the meeting. Rocky seconded and all voted in favor carrying the motion.

Meeting ended at 7:44pm.