

MMCS Meeting Minutes

6:00 pm

March 14, 2022

255 S. May Street

Southern Pines, NC 28387

Board members present in person Ronda Hawkins, Paul Murphy, Debra Gray, Taylor Clement, Rocky Rhodes, and Ben Greene. Absent board members Dave Kilarski. Other present school personnel Katherine Rucker, Markisha Young, and Jennifer Sifford.

1. Call to Order at 6:00. School's mission statement read by Ben.
2. Public Comment
None.
3. Updates (30 minutes, Katie, Rocky)
 - A. General School Updates, *21/22 Academic Data Snapshot: Winter Update*
 - a. On target with the reading portfolios. Reading portfolios are an alternative pathway to passing the EOG. The portfolios are broken down into smaller portions of the EOG test.
 - b. The Winter Academic snapshot was shared. Kindergarten students are excelling based on NWEA MAP testing score. Flyleaf curriculum has been brought in to work with students. The Winter snapshot is showing us a growth for 3rd grade math skills. Closely watching 1st grade reading. We are bringing in interventions when needed. Also, watching 4th grade math closely. Internal testing used is DRA testing which is used for Kindergarten students. Also, MAP Testing which is used for 1st graders and up.
 - c. Renewal updates. Interview was Friday March 11th. It took place virtually. Board members noted one thing each that they liked about the video that was presented to the charter renewal team. No compliance issues noted.
 - d. Board prospects. 4 potential board members. The goal is to bring in three board members in July.
 - B. Financial, *February Financial, 22/23 Draft Budget Discussion*
 - a. No concerns with the February financial report.
 - b. Ben noted that we are over on instructional supplies, insurance, and administrative cost. Katie noted that we are still in good standing and set to have a surplus at the end of the year.
 - c. Rocky presented the draft 22/23 budget. We are expecting state revenue to be a slightly higher next year. Cost of materials is increasing. Health insurance is continuing to rise as well. Fundraising for capital expenses will be needed. Could be a potential for more ERTC money. We could potentially be refunded for the 2nd quarter. Taylor noted that there was

no funding for summer reading camp. Katie noted that the funding should come down for that within the next couple of weeks.

- C. New Campus
 - a. Health department had their unannounced visit. Our score has come up from the previous school occupants.
 - b. April 11th at the next board meeting. Tim Martin will be here to present to the board the feasibility study on Building B.
 - c. Next week Tim will be coming down to get some quotes on storm windows for B Building. Katie is looking into historic restoration grants.
 - d. Increase in interest for the auditorium. Taylor noted looking into the cost of the AV Equipment versus renting AV equipment.
 - e. We are looking at partnering with a group for exchange of use of the field for landscaping of the field. Nothing can be done until we have water on the field.

4. Board Action (30 minutes)

- A. Minutes for February 14th and 18th Board Meeting, *attached*
 - a. Rocky motioned to approve the meeting minutes for February 14th and 18th. Debra 2nd the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Indoor Mask Requirement, *MMCS COVID 21/22 Tracker*
 - a. Katie noted no COVID cases at the school last week. Moore County is in the green right now. 6.3% positivity rate in Moore County.
 - b. Taylor motioned to keep the mask optional. Debra 2nd the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- C. 2022 Audit Proposal, *attached*
 - a. Katie noted that Charter Success Partners recommended new auditors every five years. Rebekah Barr will be doing the tax return as well.
 - b. Paul moved to approve the audit as presented. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. FOSS Science Kits Quote, *attached*
 - a. Three kits for science materials. Based on the state standards from a hands-on learning approach. Materials included in the kits are simple machines, scales, lights, prisms, etc. Kits are made for 32 students.
 - b. Debra motioned to purchase the FOSS science kits. Ronda second the motion. Motion carried Unanimously.

Rocky motioned to move into the closed session. Paul seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously, moved into closed session at 6:37 pm.

5. Closed Session (purpose: N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(6), related to employee contracts)

Rocky motioned to approve cost of living adjustments to school salaries as discussed in closed session. Debra seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

6. Adjourn

Ronda motioned to adjourn the meeting. Paul seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm. Next meeting is April 11th.