

# MMCS Board Meeting Minutes

6:00 pm

October 11, 2021

255 S. May Street

Southern Pines, NC 28387

In attendance: Katie Rucker, Keisha Young, Ronda Hawkins, Paul Murphy, Ben Green, Debra Gray and Rocky Rhodes

On phone: Dave Kilarski

1. Call to Order at 6:00pm, Reading of School's Mission by Ben

2. Public Comment: guidelines for comment provided by Ben.

Janice: introduced herself and background. Questions regarding military families and students; some were answered by military liaison but there are additional concerns for military family support. She asked the board to learn more about military families for the benefit of school. She also requests a full time councilor for the benefit of all families. Her comment was cut short by time limit and Ben added that she should find a time to speak with Head of School, Katie Rucker, at her convenience.

3. Updates

A. General School - Open House was a success, thank you to the board, staff and volunteers. Today's teacher work day was focused on making math materials. GER grant update: it will cover a part time counselor who has already reached out to staff and family to start her work.

Katie introduced Kisha Young to present on the Nautilus (Restorative Justice Discipline) system.

Katie let the board know that we have reports from the federal grant review which was done in the spring.

B. Financial - Draft audit has been reviewed and will be available for the board in November. Katie has reviewed the budget with our accountant and we should be on track based on the budget.

C. Campus Improvement - minor renovations to the auditorium have been completed. The Arts Council has hosted the first successful event in the space.

Ward Productions has indicated that we may only need one mic and a speaker for general use. The windows need to be reglazed and then we can begin repairing water damage on the inside. Roof is near full repair.

Update on initiative with NC State and Dr. Robin Moore. The next step is working with staff, families and students to work on a master plan.

#### 4. Board Action

A. Minutes for September 13th Board Meeting, attachment The notes from the last meeting were missing a name; update to have Dave as the maker of the motion and Taylor as the second. Paul moved to approve the minutes with changes noted. Debra seconded and all voted in favor carrying the motion.

B. Student Privacy Policy. Ben mentioned a grammatical update. Debra moved to approve the FERPA, Rocky seconded, all voted in favor.

C. November Indoor Mask Requirement - Katie reviewed the NDHHS guidelines. Rocky started a conversation on the need for some guidelines for when masks can potentially come off. Dave agreed that we need some quantitative measure. Debra added that as a school we are responsible for the wellbeing of the school community as a whole. Rocky suggested that our current decision feels controlled by the NCDHHS but that at some point we need to potentially give parents some input. Rocky moved that we continue the mask wearing for an additional month and review in November. Paul seconded and all voted in favor.

#### 5. Closed Session (10 minutes) - Taylor moved to go into closed session to review employee contracts, Paul seconded and all voted in favor carrying the motion.

Board entered closes session at 7:04

Return from Closed session at 7:07

Ronda moved to approve the contract changes for Alexis Tyson as discussed in closed session, Rocky seconded and all voted in favor carrying the motion.

#### 5. Adjourn:

Ronda moved to close the meeting, Paul moved and all voted in favor carrying the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09pm