



Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
9.15.22
27 Balm Grove Avenue
Asheville, NC 28806

Board Members: Gene Bell (Chair), Robby Russell (Treasurer), Susan Shanor (Secretary), Dwight Mullen (Director), Andy Barnett (Director), Kathey Avery (Director), Kerry Freidman (Director), Gordon Grant (Director), David Robinson (Director)

Present:

Gene Bell
Robby Russell
Susan Shanor
Kerry Friedman
Dwight Mullen
David Robinson
Gordon Grant

Absent:

Kathey Avery
Andy Barnett

Additional Persons Present: Dr. Sherry Poole, Brenda Tipton, Nnweyna Smith-Davis

I. Opening and Quorum:

The regular meeting was called to order by Gene Bell at 12:07PM with seven of nine members present. Gene apologized for the schedule change due to his out-of-town doctor's appointment.

II. Public Comments:

PAPA President attended the meeting. Ms Smith communicated her love for PEAK and offered to support PEAK in any way she or PAPA can. One parent is an after school facilitator and other parents are setting up the library.

III. Approval of Consent Agenda and Minutes

Kerry Friedman moved to approve the 9/15/22 agenda, Susan Shanor seconds. All unanimously agree and motion carries to approve agenda. David Robinson moves to approve minutes from the 8/9/22 Board Meeting and the minutes from the 8/9/22 closed Board meeting. Dwight Mullen seconds. All unanimously agree and motion carries to approve both sets of minutes.

IV. School Leader Report

Dr. Sherry Poole read a prepared statement to the Board. A copy of her statement is attached.

Dr. Poole reviewed the dashboard.

Dr. Poole reviewed the third grade baseline reading data.

Bus drivers continue to be a challenge. Mr. Blount has passed his test and waiting for license.

Dr. Poole is attending two training sessions – NC Access and the Office of Charter School Leadership Transformation Training (the later with Ms. Minto).

Dr. Poole confirmed that PEAK has two teachers with Spanish fluency.

Mr. Anderson is working with Read to Succeed to get more tutoring. Two students are tutoring with Open Doors and a third will begin next week. Dr. Mullen encouraged early intervention of tutors for third graders to get them to grade level

Dr. Poole presented new hires for approval. Susan Shanor again questioned the need for a full-time art, full-time music teacher and a part-time PE teacher with only about 90 students

V. Financial Report (Robby Russell)

Robby Russell reviewed the 8/1/2022 – 8/31/2022 budget report. Expenses for books/supplies and staff development are front-loaded at the start of school

VI. Fundraising (Susan Shanor)

Susan Shanor reported that the UNCA-PEAK event is proceeding as planned and should be a great evening. Board members will be responsible for inviting persons on their respective lists to the event.

VII. Facility (Gene Bell)

Gene Bell is taking care of the hanging wires and is getting a split unit installed. There have been a few heating and cooling issues but the church has taken care of them.

VIII. Marketing/Communications

None

IX. Closed Session

David Robinson moved that the Board move into closed session at 1:32PM to discuss personnel matters; Kerry Russell seconds. All unanimously agree to move into closed session. The Board returns to open session at 2:43PM.

X. Additional Announcements

There are no additional announcements.

XI. Adjournment

Kerry Friedman makes the motion to adjourn the meeting, David Robinson seconds. All unanimously agree and the meeting ends at 2:43PM.