

## **Hobgood Charter School Board of Directors Minutes - August 21, 2023**

Members Present: Ricky Cannon, Nicole Flanary, Joe McDowell, Hope MacNeill, Vickie Dougherty, Shawn Dawes, and Tom Winslow.

Staff present: Juliana Harris and Kelly Craft

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 pm by Chairman, Joe McDowell. He shared the following Thought for the Day - "Wings are like dreams. Before each flight, a bird takes a small jump, a leap of faith, believing that its wings will work. That jump can only be made with rock-solid feet." JR Rim

Motion was made and carried to approve the agenda. (Nicole/Vickie, passed unanimously) The mission was reviewed.

The minutes of the July meeting were read and approved. (Nicole/Vickie, passed unanimously) There was no public comment.

### Buildings and Grounds (Ricky Cannon)

- Security system installed on campus
- Mosley Construction is working on the permits for the new building
- Parking lot by the gym is being extended to allow for more parking
- Motion to spend \$22,000 to replace two mini-splits and add one new one for the weight room (Nicole/Vickie)

### Financial

- Financial reports were reviewed
- Motion to move \$64,500 from line item \_\_\_\_ to sub-line item, "Improvements-Modulars" (Vickie/Nicole)
- Joe explained the loan process for the new building
- Motion to approve using Truist Capital Markets as the underwriter for the proposed bond issuance to finance the new school building, and to authorize Joe McDowell, chairperson, to work with Truist on the terms of financing, providing due diligence and otherwise taking such steps as may be required to facilitate the issuance of the bonds to finance the new building (Shawn/Nicole, passed unanimously)

### Academic Excellence

- Piedmont Natural Gas sent a team of 15 employees to deliver school supplies, serve lunch to the staff, as well as put the new furniture together for the modular units. Their work was much appreciated.
- College Promise - 23 students are enrolled in college classes at area community colleges
- The 17 first senior class at HCS, class of 2023-24, were given "Senior" yard signs
- Pep Rally to introduce the athletic was held. Cheerleaders gave a performance
- BOG testing took place last week

## Governance

- Motion to approve the resolution entitled “Resolution of the Board of Directors of Hobgood Charter School, Inc.” amending its Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws and authorizing the formation of Hobgood Realty Holdings, LLC as a separate limited liability company. Nicole/Vickie, passed unanimously.
- The school’s Nepotism/Conflict of Interest Policy was reviewed by the school’s attorney. No changes were made. The Nepotism/Conflict of Interest Policy was signed by all board members in attendance and will be sent to others not present to be signed by all.

## Development

- The year has started off well. Teachers and students are excited. There are 516 students enrolled.

The board went into closed session to discuss personnel. (Shawn/Nicole, passed unanimously)  
No action was taken during the closed session.

Motion to go out of closed session was made and seconded (Shawn/Nicole, passed unanimously).

A motion was made to hire two new personnel. Vickie/Nicole, passed unanimously.

A motion was made to adjourn. (Shawn/Vickie, passed unanimously) The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Winslow, acting secretary