

Wakulla COAST Board Meeting

Monday, October 21, 2024

Meeting Location

COAST Charter School

48 Shell Island Road

St. Marks, FL 32355

Principal – Mrs. Frankie Harvey

850-925-6344

Board Members

Nancy Stokely

John Nichols

Alan Wittmier

Amy Delaney

Jamie Gray

Agenda

- Call to Order
- Public Comments
- District Update
- 2023-2024 Financial Audit Review – James Moore (**POSTPONED by Auditing Firm Until our December 2nd Meeting**)
- Approval of Minutes*
 - September 9th, 2024
- Teacher Salary Increase*
- School Updates
- Adjourn*

Next Meeting: December 2, 2024

*Requires Board Action

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Attendees: Nancy, Jamie, Alan, John, Amy

- Call to order 10/28/24 @ 6pm
- Public comments
 - Mr. Owens - wants to address the way math is being taught in 2nd grade
 - Why did we choose the curriculum?
 - Mrs. Harvey: we must follow state standards and approved curriculum
 - approved by state and then must be approved by parents
 - our was approved by parents 2 years ago
 - Why the change in methods from when his oldest child was in 2nd grade (3 years ago)?
 - says he will go to the State/DOE to get curriculum requirements changed with community support
 - doesn't like the way 2nd grade math is being taught now using GoMath
 - doesn't want the kids to be counted wrong for completing a problem in a different way than the question asks, if they get the answer right
 - Nancy states that the curriculum is built around teaching students several methods to completing one problem
 - Harvey discussed that the teacher is teaching according to the standards, which is partly for how to succeed on the test
 - Mr. Owens - is Epic.com approved?
 - Why is it promoting homosexuality?
 - daughter saw a book and came home to discuss it with him; felt it was inappropriate "Knight and Prince" by Daniel Haack
 - John said we would look at Epic.com and make sure that book was an anomaly; if not, we will block student access to the site
 - asked Mrs. Harvey to contact the District to see their policy on Epic Books; wants to ensure we have a policy in place for this website
 - district blocked access to
- District update(s)
 - WCSB meeting to present the school's SIP
 - plan was approved by the board before they asked Mrs. Harvey and Mrs. Gray any questions
 - asked 2 questions
 - wanted to know about staff turnover
 - asked about how we are addressing attendance issues
- 23/24 financial audit review - James Moore
 - Kevin Warren from James Moore (audit director)

- Pg. 1 - audit report
 - clean audit/unmodified report
 - Pg. 10 - statement of net position
 - increase of around 100,000+ in assets this year
 - Pg. 14 - income statement
 - net income of 100,000+
 - Pg. 23 - capital asset note
 - playground tables and
 - Pg. 30
 - no findings - clean report
 - Pg. 32-33 - auditor general
 - no findings - clean report
 - SAS 114 letter - only suggestion
 - adjusting the budget throughout the school year when changes are made or expected
 - will help the school stay on track
- Approval of previous meeting minutes
 - 9/9/24 - Jamie made a motion to approve as is; John seconded. All in favor - motion carried.
 - Teacher salary increase
 - we had allocated funds left specifically for teacher salaries
 - split up the amount among all teachers which would increase each teacher's salary by \$620 plus 2% bonus.
 - Jamie made a motion to approve the increase and bonus; Amy seconded the motion. All in favor - motion carried.
 - budget has been adjusted to reflect the salary increase
 - Child abuse & neglect policy
 - will need to be an addendum to the Code of Conduct
 - needs to be posted online and posted in the school
 - added COAST information to DOE verbiage
 - John made a motion to approve the Child Abuse and Neglect Policy as written; Alan seconded the motion. All in favor - motion carried.
 - School updates
 - budget
 - no other changes besides the teacher salary/retirement adjustment
 - Mrs. Harvey said she will continue to track all changes to budgets throughout the year to make it easier to view
 - public library bus
 - will start coming to the Fire Dept next door to set up for the City of St. Marks community
 - all students will need to get a library card to access the library books
 - Nancy suggests we hand out a flier about it, mentioning that the school is not responsible for the books made available by the library
 - Glow Day was a big success
 - students had a blast
 - lots of fun activities that involved STEM (science, technology, engineering and math)

- Adjourn

- Jamie made a motion to adjourn @ 6:59pm; Alan seconded the motion. All in favor - motion carried.