

**Hobgood Charter School**  
**Regular School Board meeting – October 19, 2020**

**Present:** Joe McDowell, Ricky Cannon, Linda Goodrich, Shanna James, Shawn Dawes and Tom Winslow. Others present: Julianna Harris, Scott Propheter, and Kelly Craft

The meeting was called to order on October 19 at 6:30 pm.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes were approved as read with the following corrections: "teacher not qualified" was changed to "not licensed", Paul Nicholson discussed the computers - a unanimous vote to enter into a contract with Microsoft. The minutes were approved as corrected (Ricky Cannon/Shanna James)

A motion was made to change the agenda to let Scott Propheter to move to the beginning so he could go ahead and speak (Ricky Cannon/Shanna James)

Joe read the school mission; there were no public comments.

Joe read the thought for the Day, "You can't do a kindness too soon or it may be too late" Emerson.

Scott Propheter spoke about the booster club. The club members are working on fundraising ideas. They currently have \$7300 in the booster club account. They want the role of the booster club defined. He asked if paying for referees at the games is the responsibility of the booster club or the school. Julianna said that basketball officials will be \$80/game. There will be no inside concessions but a 'snack shack' will be available outside. November 1 is the first full practice with the first game near Thanksgiving. They will have middle School and varsity games with Hobgood Academy sharing expenses of the varsity games.

**Building and Grounds:** Ricky Cannon reported that Ricky Johnson has repaired all the siding caused by recent storms. He will be going back on the middle building to make some additional repairs on the roof. Two buses were purchased from Nash County for \$4875. These two buses have been inspected and are in operation now. Nash County said they will have an activity bus available for us in the spring. Buses were paid for with NC ACCESS dollars. Julianna reported the gas pipe leak has been repaired. Joe McDowell reported that Rob Dougherty has repaired concrete walk at the gym and is now handicapped accessible. He will also look at installing a railing in front of the elementary building. Julianna Harris reported that officer Coley has been helpful with student drop-off. Joe McDowell reported that Rob Dougherty replaced ceiling tiles and sinks in the gym and has installed a by-pass to the large water heater so it will only run when needed. Julianna reported that Allen

Harmon has been hired as the new custodian who has maintenance skills and has been helpful with minor repairs.

**September budget report** – There is some Title I money that is expected and is not reflected in the budget. It was voted to use \$5000 from the nutrition and food line items to start a new Athletics line item. The Nutrition and Food budget has more funds due to Covid. The amended September 30 budget was approved unanimous. (Ricky Cannon/Linda Goodrich).

Julianna reported that some students have missed more than 10 days while others are not turning in their work. Some 9<sup>th</sup> graders have really low grades. With the rule that students have to pass 3 of 4 core classes to play sports; this will affect some students. Students returning to school 4 days a week has gone smoothly.

NC ACCESS money is making possible new iPads, eventually smart boards in every classroom.

Shawn Dawes suggested having a person to work with students working remotely to keep them on task.

A motion was made to proceed with school athletics following recorded guidelines. (Tom Winslow/Ricky Cannon). The motion was unanimous.

Joe discussed board term limits – 2 terms, 3 years each. The first terms started March 2018 when the school was chartered.

Julianna reported that Hobgood Charter School currently has 271 students, 33 are all virtual.

The board did not go into closed session. A motion was made to adjourn at 8:45 pm. (Tom Winslow/Linda Goodrich)

Tom Winslow