



Board Meeting Minutes October 20, 2025

Board Members Present: Ricky Cannon, Tom Winslow, Nicole Flanary, Leah Long, Jean Spruell, Brian Dobson, Chris VanLandingham, Shawn Dawes, Vicki Dougherty

Staff Present: Juliana Harris and Kelly Craft

Guest(s) Present: None

The meeting was called to order by Tom Windslow at 6:29 pm.

Motion to approve the agenda. (Chris/Jean). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve August minutes. (Ricky/Chris). Motion carried unanimously.

No public comment.

Building & Grounds: Updates provided by Ricky Cannon.

- Survey the land behind the gym – no immediate need for clearing.
- Ongoing discussions regarding plumbing and water pressure concerns in new building.
- Sidewalk poured to accommodate handicap swing access; fixed existing sidewalks.
- No current bus issues.
- Bond Requirements: discussion regarding insurance consultant every two year, working with attorney to understand requirement and next steps.
- School Safety: Assessment done for risk areas and recommendations; (Staff App; PA System; Additional Cameras; Curtains; Street Barricades; Signage)



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- Safety Grant Improvements Identified: Bell & PA System; Access System (Doors)
- Additional installation of Vape Detectors in bathrooms (2)
- Discussion of SRO; to be researched and re-discussed.

Motion to spend to PA System \$40k; (Leah/ Vickie); Motion carried unanimously.

Finance: Updates provided by Juilana Harris.

- Current financial reports reviewed
- Management Discussion & Analysis reviewed and approved for Audit Report.

Academic Excellence: Updates provided by Juilana Harris.

- Successful virtual & in-person Parent/Teacher conferences
- Harvard Prize Trip – successful trip and good recognition; positive response
- HOBY 25-26 – two students recognized for Student Leadership experience at NC State.
- Staff Meetings Held – emphasized the importance of testing scores and individual meetings to be held to discuss prior results.
- Consistent PLC Meetings are taking place.

Governance: Updates provided by Tom Winslow.

- Discussion around School Board related continuing education – research offerings from the NC Office of Charter Schools.

Development: Updates provided by Juliana Harris and Leah Long.

- Updates on Preschool: discussion to be held between Boards.



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- Development Committee: Capital Campaign continues with sticker sales; next steps to hold information meeting on site and extend information to donor list.

Motion to move into Closed Session; Ricky/Jean; Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to move out of Closed Session; Ricky/Chris; Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve personnel hire as presented by lead administrator. (Ricky/Vickie)

Motion

carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn. (Brian/Leah) Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes recorded by: Leah Long