



## Board Meeting Minutes Dec 16, 2024

**Board Members Present:** Joe McDowell, Ricky Cannon, Tom Winslow, Shanna James, Vicki Daugherty, Leah Long and Nicole Flanary

**Staff Present:** Juliana Harris

**Guest Present:** None

The meeting was called to order by Joe McDowell at 6:35 pm.

Motion to approve the agenda. Ricky Cannon, 2nd by Shanna James. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve minutes from November by Ricky 2nd by Vick. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe reviewed the mission statement.

No public comment at this time.

Quote: *"If you lose your wealth, you have lost nothing; if you lose you health, you have lost something; but if you lose your character, you have lost everything."* - Woodrow Wilson

### **Building and Grounds: updates provided by Ricky and Joe.**

- ❖ Ricky provided some updates regarding painting, tile installation and work on the ceiling.
- ❖ Heating system updates provided by Ricky. Unit will be installed this week.

### **Finance:**

- ❖ Finance reports reviewed from November 2024.
- ❖ Still waiting on final growth funding; including state per pupil.
- ❖ No update on bond.

### **Academic Excellence**

- ❖ Winter Showcase; Wednesday at 1:30 at Edgecombe Community College. K-7th. Art projects will be displayed.
- ❖ Student Attendance: Juliana Harris discussed student attendance expectations. Letters will be sent home. Focus will be on high school students. Discussion took place regarding credit recovery for students.
- ❖ College acceptances are still coming in. (University of Alabama and LSU recently)



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### Governance:

- ❖ **Attendance Policy:** Policy to be updated to discuss when a note should be received.

**Motion to approve attendance policy to be amended to include, school note to be received within 5 *school calendar days*, from the return to school, in order to have the absence marked excused. (Nicole Flanary/Tom Winslow) Motion approved unanimously.**

### Development

- ❖ Staff Childcare: Juliana discussed childcare for staff and the need as the school continues to grow.
- ❖ Enrollment updates: 558 students. 4th grade has a waitlist of 38 kids, 3rd grade has 18 waitlisted.
- ❖ January 8th will start the Open Enrollment period.

Motion to move into closed session to discuss personnel and student discipline. (Ricky/Shanna; motion approved unanimously.

Motion to move out of closed session. Ricky/Nicole Motion approved unanimously

Motion to approve hire of personnel as discussed. Nicole/Shanna Motion approved unanimously.

Motion to adjourn at Tom/Vicki. Motion carried unanimously.

**Minutes recorded by: Shanna James**





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