



Board Meeting Minutes 8-23-2021

Board Members Present: Joe McDowell, Tom Winslow, Shawn Dawes, Hope McNeil and Shanna James, Linda Goodrich (virtual via zoom).

Staff Present: Juliana Harris and Kelly Craft

Guest Present: Scott Prophter and Cory Draughon

The meeting was called to order by Joe McDowell at 6:34 pm.

Joe reviewed the mission statement.

Quote of the Day: "Be sure to put your feet in the right place, then stand firm," - Abraham Lincoln.

Motion to approve the agenda by Shanna James, 2nd Shawn Dawes, motion carried unanimously.

Minutes from August 23, 2021 were reviewed. Motion to approve by Shawn Dawes and 2nd by Shanna James.

No public comment at this time.

Athletic Booster Club

Scott Prophter, President of Booster Club, was present during the first part of the meeting. Booster Club has a "work and clean" day Saturday Aug 28th on school grounds. Boards on bleachers are being replaced. Plumbing is still being worked on as well. Gym floor is not finished at this time but looks great thus far. Approximately 1-2 more weeks. Per Scott Prophter, Booster Club is working on fundraisers to do in the future.

Building and Grounds

Bleachers on field need to be replaced or repaired. There is an event planned on August 28th to help the school with this project.

Gym floors have come a long way but are slow to finish due to materials being held up. No fault of the school.

Some of the ceiling tiles need to be replaced, therefore some discussions are taking place to have them removed.



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Motion to add a split unit in the middle school building by Tom, 2nd by Hope. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

Cory Draughon attended the meeting to discuss our previous budget and current school year budget. Cory is from CSP and expressed that HCS had an exceptional year. Cory went line by line with Board Members to discuss any items that anyone may have questions in reference to the budget. At this time FY22 Budget has not been approved but will be, by the end of this meeting.

Cory reviewed expenses, bank statements, and balance sheet for current FY 21. Additionally, Federal, State and Local funds/revenue were reviewed.

Motion to approve budget for FY22 was made by Shawn Dawes , 2nd by Shanna James. Motion carried unanimously.

Future meeting will be planned with the finance committee.

Juliana Harris discussed the cafeteria and the positive feedback from parents. Pam is running the cafeteria and is still evaluating what items on the school lunch choice are popular and what items not needed. After approximately 30 days of school attendance, the staff will have a better idea about MTD to finalize the contract.

Athletic Director provided Juliana Harris and the Board with a budget for Fall, Winter, Spring and General items. Total amount is not in access to the approved school athletic budget amount.

Academic Excellence

The preliminary test results (EOG) look good. Results will be finalized and made public, at this time, scores are only released to the school. Preliminary reading, math and science scores shared with board members.

Technology needs at this time are 7 smart boards, 19 IPADS (for each classroom in K-5) which will be covered by the NC ACCESS Grant. 176 laptops have been approved for student use along with hotspots.

Updated internet for middle school building will be installed as well as phones installation.



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Juliana is working on finalizing federal grants that are due.

Governance

The school has student drivers. Policies are being put into place for carpooling to athletic events and practices. Further discussion will take place.

Development

Enrollment is 327 with attendance goal of 336. New student starting this week. Board was provided with a school waitlist for all grades. Currently 48 students in all are on the waitlist.

Discussion took place regarding NC ACCESS Grant and response to USDoE. Letter was written by Juliana Harris and reviewed by the Board Members.

No closed session

Motion to adjourn at 9:06 by Tom, 2nd by Shanna. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes recorded by: Shanna James



