



Minutes

November 12, 2017

Welcome – *Debbie Clary, Chair*

Attendance – Betsy Harnage, Pauline Cahill, Steve Grinton, Bobby Horton, Jayson Philbeck via conference

Conflict of Interest Statement *In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every board member to avoid both conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict. If any board member has any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the board today, please identify the conflict or appearance of conflict at this time, and refrain from any participation in the particular matter involved.*

Adoption of Agenda- Betsy Harnage made a motion to adopt the agenda-Pauline Cahill second. The agenda was adopted unanimously.

Approval of Minutes October 15, 2017 meeting

Public Comments *Persons wishing to appear before the Board during this portion of the meeting should register their name and the subject they wish to address with the Secretary prior to the beginning of the meeting. Each presentation will be limited to three (3) minutes. The Board is interested in hearing your concerns, yet speakers should not expect comment, action, or deliberation on subject matter brought up during the public comment segment. Topics requiring further investigation will be referred to the appropriate board committee.*

Guest Kim White, parent of a 1st grade student asked to be recognized and speak to the board. Ms. White presented her comments in writing pertaining to classroom size. She is a volunteer in the classroom and the book fair. Ms. White was very complimentary of the teachers and dedication at PCA.

Headmaster Report *Mr. Robert Brown*

In the facility portion of the report, Mr. Brown noted that the DOT required ‘fixes’ to the new turn lane would be the responsibility of the contractor engineer. Modulars at the K-2 have been moved. The recycle program as presented by student Bella Avant at the October meeting will begin in January, 2018.

Mr. Rowe is being considered for NC Charter Teacher of the Year. Should be announced by end of November. Student government is now active.

The new Social Media Policy and the Promotion, Retention, and Classification Policy was approved by the board. Betsy Harnage made a motion to accept the policy as written and Pauline Cahill second with unanimous approval.

Budget Amendments were presented to the board with slight adjustments, the largest being the employment of a full time speech therapist creating a savings over the contracted amount.

Dean of Students Report *Mrs. Bianca Muller*

Mr. Brown presented test scores on latest testing in Mrs. Muller’s absence. The board was pleased with the increase in performance.

Reports from Committees *(as necessary)*

Finance- Operations & Personnel *Debbie Clary, chair*

The PCA budget remains steady as planned and reported minor changes by the Headmaster.

Finance – Facilities *Jayson Philbeck, chair*

Facility Finance should be closing the construction in the month of November. The USDA payments will not begin for one year.

Facility *Wes Westmoreland, chair*

Curriculum *Pauline Cahill, chair*

Robotics has started with a great deal of interest. Mrs. Jacobs is the coordinator.

Board Development, Nominating, Bylaws and Legal Affairs Committee *Steve Grinton, chair*

Made a motion to accept Mike Jackson as the parent liaison to the board. Stated that Mr. Jackson will be an excellent addition and was highly recommended by the PEAK Board. Bobby Horton second the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept Mike Jackson as the parent liaison. A special thank you was made to Bobby Horton for fulfilling the term of Micha Sturgis. Horton was asked to remain on the facility committee and accepted.

Community Relations/Marketing/Grievance *Debbie Clary, chair*

Enrollment Application/Lottery *Betsy Harnage, chair*

The lottery is scheduled for March 12, 2018. Enrollment kicked off as traditionally at the Mutts, Mush and Music Fest in Uptown Shelby with 24 applications accepted. Current enrollment is 736 for 2017.

Safety and Security Committee *Sara Tongel, chair*

Parent Liaison *Bobby Horton*

K-2 Book Fair is starting on Monday. The Spirit Rock is on the way and is a project for a local Eagle Scout at the 3-12 Campus.

PCAEF Report *Betsy Harnage, Vice Chair*

Board Training *Debbie Clary*

Watch email for news about charters.

New Business

The K-2 building roof is continuing concern with leaks. The board asked Mr. Brown to please plan on roof replacement next Spring break or next Summer.

Custodial issues were discussed with the conclusion to change schedules to better accommodate needs at the PCA campuses.

Old Business

Adjournment

Steve Grinton motioned to adjourn with Betsy Harnage second and all affirmative to adjourn until January 8, 2018.

