

Neuse Charter School Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – July 7, 2017

Board Members Present:

Tony Gupton, Chair
Dawn Dixon, Vice Chair
Rodney Dunn, Treasurer
Paul Worley, Secretary
Martha Andre
Nichole Booker
Chris Johnson
Jimmy Lloyd
Robbie Taylor

Board Members Absent:

Jason Cummings
Michelle Denning

Call to Order

Dixon welcomed the new board members to the table at 3:45 p.m. and allowed each member of the board and leadership team to introduce themselves.

Gupton called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and read the Ethics Statement. All board members were given the opportunity to respond to the Conflict of Interest statement.

Celebrations & Recognitions

Faculty & Staff Recognition:

- ✓ Pullium introduced the two new members of the Administrative Team for 2017-18. Dr. Janice Silver will serve as the Dean of Academics, and Mr. Brian Smith will serve as the Senior Academy Leader.
- ✓ Dixon recognized Mr. Tony Gupton for his leadership as Chairperson of the Board for the 2016-17 school year and presented him with a certificate of appreciation for his service.

Nomination & Selection of Officers for 2017-18

Motion by Johnson to accept the following slate of officers:

Chair: Dawn Dixon
Vice Chair: Paul Worley
Treasurer: Rodney Dunn

Booker amended the motion to include Martha Andre as Secretary. Seconded by Dunn. Motion passed unanimously.

Dixon noted that she has asked Worley to serve as the New Member Liaison.

Public Comments

None.

Celebrations & Recognitions (continued)

Gupton read the attached resolution honoring Davidson V. Neville for his service on the Board of Directors as his resignation was effective on June 30, 2017.

Lloyd moved to adopt the resolution. Dixon seconded. Passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

June minutes approval was deferred until the August meeting.

Executive Director's Report

None.

Consent Agenda

None.

Finance Committee

Dunn reported on the preliminary 2016-17 Budget Report with a surplus for the fiscal year of \$518,635.88. Johnson moved to accept the report. Seconded by Lloyd. Passed unanimously.

Pullium stated as a point of order that the board needed to decide who they would like on the signature card for school checks. Dunn moved to leave the signature card as is for 2017-18. Seconded by Dixon. Neville requested to be taken off as he is no longer on the board. Johnson amended the motion to remove Neville. Passed unanimously.

Personnel Committee

None.

Audit Committee

Academic Sub-Committee:

None.

Resource Development

None.

Board Development

Johnson moved to continue the terms of the existing board members for 2017-18 along with the new slate of members including Neville as ex-officio member. Seconded by Worley. Passed unanimously.

Facilities:

Johnson reported that Boykin is continuing to work with the USDA, staff and architect on the new building plan. The goal is to start construction over the Christmas holiday by removing the 1st grade building and media center. One of the first steps will be purchasing steel that will likely need to be delivered to the school. This will require that we ensure the campus is a secure

building site to keep staff and students safe. Additionally, Neville will need to make sure that Vanguard removes those existing modular the last day of the first semester prior to the holiday.

The Facilities Committee will meet again at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 13.

Pullium noted that teachers are already moving their classrooms to accommodate the changes for next year.

Johnson asked that Williams put the drawings, timeline, and construction updates on the website for parents to follow the process.

Johnson explained that the NCS Facilities Board is getting a low interest rate loan with the USDA. With the sale of the right-of-way due to the widening of Booker Dairy Road, the proceeds are being used as the down-payment for this project. The new building will include a half gym and 4 classrooms including art, band, and a small library.

Old Business

Pullium noted that there are stakes in the field beside the school marking the new road boundaries. There is a possibility that this project will be completed prior to the start of school in August.

New Business

None.

Dunn moved to adjourn into closed session at 5:00 p.m. Johnson seconded. Passed unanimously.

The board reconvened at 5:15 p.m.

Motion made by Johnson to accept and affirm the Executive Director's personnel contract. Seconded by Dixon. Passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn by Worley at 5:20 p.m. Seconded by Dixon. Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Worley