

Lake Norman Charter School
Board Meeting Minutes – Open Session
February 3, 2011

Board Members Present:

- Tricia Sisson – Chair
- Bill Farber – Vice Chair
- Kathleen Eid-Heberle – Secretary
- Eddie Bethea
- Rich Bovard
- Ron Jones
- Cathy Moore
- Bonnie Newell
- Cynthia Bush - non voting
- Tim Riemer – non voting

Administrative staff present: Shannon Stein, Michelle Harrison, Terri Costa, Mike McAlpin, Lori Hughes, Jay Attanucci, Matt Schlegel, Scott Abel

Call to order 6:30 pm

Motion by Bill, second by Cathy, to move into closed session at 6:30 pm. Motion carried.

Motion by Bill, second by Kathleen, to return to open session at 7:00 pm. Motion carried.

Motion by Bonnie, second by Cathy, to approve both open & closed session minutes from January. Motion carried.

PTO Report: (Karen Clark)

- Lunch ordering system for the students will now be completed on-line.
- Staff lunch, last week, very successful

Public Comments:

- Mr. Vaugh commented on the HS parking policy for students.

Managing Director's Report: (Tim Riemer)

- Recognition of Mr. Pierce and his science/ oceanography classes:
 - Honored by the county for their efforts in the Big Sweep
 - Invited to attend monthly leadership meetings with the county
 - Attended a “behind the scene of Marine Science” at College of Charleston, SC
- College Admission:
 - Shannon Stein shared that HS seniors are being accepted to very competitive universities. This reflects positively on LNC.
- Scholarships:
 - Jordan Phillips, a HS senior, received an athletic scholarship to run cross country at Wingate University.
- Student Handbook:
 - The Student Handbook will be completed prior to the next meeting for review.

Treasurer's Report: (Rich Bovard)

- On track for budget year to date

Old Business: (Tim Riemer)

- Reviewed Staff Development Plan
 - 1/19/11 – Legal Issues
 - 2/15/11 – Alcohol and Drug Education
 - 3/18/11 – LNCharter Culture

New Business: (Tim Riemer)

- Lottery
 - Record number of applicants of LNC (2,303 applications)
 - 5th grade only grade to accept new students
- Budget Rally
 - Monday 2/21 and Tuesday 2/22
 - Reduction in Federal stimulus money (\$800,000.00) and larger cuts in state and county funding (up to 10%)
 - Met with all constituents; Development Committee, Athletic Boosters, Band Boosters, teachers, etc.
 - Ask for financial support from LNC families and the community.
- Field Trip
 - Approval of MS field trip for NCMEA All State Choral Festival

Motion by Bill, second by Eddie, to approve MS field trip. Motion carried.

- Potential Traffic Problems
 - Blythe Elementary School hours of operation changed to 8 am – 3 pm (same as LNC).
 - Dr. Gorman, CMS School Board and transportation, and the Town of Huntersville were contacted expressing concern about traffic problems with similar school hours. CMS will not amend their decision for time changes and the Town of Huntersville has not yet responded.
 - Not feasible for LNC to adjust hours due to lunches and shared teachers.

Motion by Bill, second by Cathy, to move into closed session at 7:40 pm. Motion carried.

Motion by Bill, second by Ron, to move back into open session at 9:20 pm. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Kathleen Eid-Heberle, Secretary