



Lake Norman Charter Board Meeting Minutes

January Open Board Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2024

7:00 PM Eastern Time

General Meeting

Attending: Shannon Stein-Superintendent, Craig Randall, Amy Carr, Jared Tilley, Gray Morris, Greg Kilpatrick, Elizabeth Timkovich; Ridgley Chapman, Michael Eastwood

The general meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by Amy Carr. Approval of December meeting minutes

The December meeting minutes were approved by unanimous consent vote.

I. Public Comment:

- A. Mr. King, a parent of a high school student, spoke about parental involvement and communication between the school and parents at every grade level. Feedback on important issues helps parents provide guidance.

II. Middle School Sustainability Competition

- A. Mr. Carlascio introduced Ms. Queen and the science team who participated in the sustainability competition. They created a biodegradable "perfect peanut pack" for stadiums. They explained how this will work for the environment, allergies, shells, energy, recycling and consumer benefits.
- B. The team won \$2,500 for the school. They will not be implementing the idea now, but may in the future. Students were recognized at a Panthers football game.

III. Support Group Update

- A. PTO - No report at this time.
- B. Athletic Boosters
 1. LNC is in the middle of basketball/swim season now. On February 14 spring season begins. Swim will end shortly and go into regionals and states at the end of February.

IV. 2021-2022 Audit Review

- A. Eric Smith from Potter and Company reported out to the board. They issued an unmodified audit opinion. This is the highest level of assurance that the information is fair and accurate.
- B. Federal and state funding audits were prepared as well. There were no instances of noncompliance or poor conditions related to state and federal programs.
- C. No new debt this year; simply paying down old debt. This was a good year financially for the school overall.

V. State/School Report

- A. Congratulations to Allison Hodges. She is an Elementary School teacher who was selected as the school-wide Teacher of the Year teacher.
- B. Current Lottery has 5530 applications. The closing date is Jan 31. Applications are up 363 over last year.
- C. A Charter School Summit in Raleigh is upcoming and is open to all board members.

- D. Congratulations to registrars: The state is moving to Infinite Campus from PowerSchool. We are a school participating in the pilot for Infinite Campus. It seems to be more user-friendly. There is a payment option, registration, and an LMS (Learning Management System) to move away from Schoology in the future.
- E. School Report Card Data
 - 1. State scores demonstrate an increase in all areas except science. The LNC report card demonstrates scores staying the same or growing except for Math I. There was a decline in the Math I scores. LNC is higher than the state scores, and in some categories, LNC is in the top or near the top for our contemporaries. As far as growth is concerned, many schools in the area are losing ground with student growth, including LNC. Our growth from 2022 was 84.2 and this went to 79.3 in 2023. The school is implementing benchmarks to try to catch students who are in need of intervention or remediation to improve growth. The HS started using MAPS scores this school year.

The general meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.