



Lake Norman Charter Board Meeting Minutes

Open Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2015

I. Meeting Called to Order by Mike Manahan at 7:03 PM

II. General Meeting

Attending: Mike Manahan, Mike Putman, Ricky Jones, Kevin Lambert, Anna Blackwelder, Cynthia Busch, Jim Cuttino, Steve Jones, Kyle Burkey, Shannon Stein - Managing Director

III. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mike Putman, seconded by Jim Cuttino to approve December minutes, motion passed

IV. Support Organization

A. PTO:

The Gift of the Season wrapped up and the gifts were delivered to the teachers before the holiday break. The coordinator of the coffee chat talked about having an evening coffee chat so more parents can attend. PTO is looking at new vendor options for next year, and spirit wear will be sold at the basketball game. They are gearing up for the staff luncheon on January 23rd, so they are currently asking parent volunteers for soups. A 20.00 voucher was given to the buddy families.

B. Athletic Boosters:

The girls' basketball team is collecting supplies to donate to the Ada Jenkins center. At this Friday's game, the boosters will give away free popcorn to anyone who donates two supplies. The first home swim meet, the only one we host, is this Saturday at the Aquatic Center.

V. No public comments

VI. Finance Report

A. Sam Leader and Eric Smith – Potter & Company Audit Review

B. Reviewed the 2013-2014 school year audit and reported that LNC not only had a "clean audit", but also show sound fiscal principals in their practices.

VII. Managing Director's Report

- A. Board of Education at Charter decided to do a 10 point scale for next year, and now the State will also go along with the 10 point scale.
- B. Another Charter school is possibly closing because of management issues - Entrepreneurial Charter is the school and third recent charter school closing
- C. Elizabeth Padgett won Region 9 Charter Teacher of the Year 😊
- D. Sara Lay - Articles sharing Mrs. Padgett's news winning, Mr. James Ford current Teacher of the Year from CMS was seen in the Charlotte Observer hugging Padgett. The Knights Fund - reached the 50,000 milestone.
- E. Mr. Johnson & Mrs. Mervine shared how they are integrating technology in the classroom to enhance their instruction.

VIII. Old Business

A. College Counseling – Update Presentation

Three areas of focus: communication, experiential learning, university counseling model

Laurie Fabian - Communication

What are our overall communication objectives?

- i. Educate people and students about our model.
- ii. Provide and communicate the information to our families want and need to aid in college acceptance process.
- iii. Promote student and alumni achievement.

VI. New Business

Shannon is recommending the board form an exploration committee to look into the possibility and merit of adding an elementary school. Bill Farber, who has served on three construction committees in the past, would serve as Chairman. She also recommends the committee engage a commercial real estate agent who is familiar with the process. Gary Knox, who has been in the commercial real estate business for 29 years and has been part of 6 different school property acquisitions including Lake Norman Charter previously, made a presentation to the board regarding the values and services his group could provide. The committee's task would be to determine the viability of adding an elementary school.

Motion to form a committee with Bill Farber as the Chairman to explore the possibility of adding an elementary school to Lake Norman Charter School, and to finalize details of a contract with the Knox group to provide assistance in determining the viability of the addition by Steve Jones, Jim Cuttino second, motion carried.

Motion to enter into closed session by Kevin Lambert, seconded by Jim Cuttino, motion carried and meeting entered into closed session at 9:26 pm

Motion to enter into open session by Mike Putman, seconded by Ricky Jones, motion carried and meeting entered into open session at 10:06 pm

Motion to adjourn by Mike Putman, seconded by Ricky Jones, motion carried and meeting adjourned at 10:07 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Kyle Burkey with assistance by Danielle Derwich