

Lake Norman Charter School
Board Meeting Minutes – open session
May 1, 2008

Board Members Present:

Rich Bovard – Board Chair	Ron Jones
Tom Ghareeb – Board Treasurer	Kristi Miller
Cathy Moore – Board Secretary	Tricia Sisson
Karen Bentley	Bill Neal
Eddie Bethea	Rob Dixon
Ben Putnam – Managing Director, non voting	Bill Farber – non voting

Administrative staff present: Christy H. / Allen L. / Terri C. / Mike M. / Donna G. / Beau C.

Call to order @ 6:32pm by Rich Bovard

Minutes from prior meetings presented for review and approval. Motion by Karen, second by Eddie to approve minutes as presented (3/11/08 open session, 4/3/08 open session, 4/3/08 closed session, 4/14/08 closed session). Motion carried.

New Business:

- Bond resolution for the up coming \$20 million issue presented and discussed by Rich. Various documents presented for review. Motion by Ron, second by Karen to approve bond resolution as presented. Motion carried.
- Discussion regarding 10th grade enrollment for 2008-09 school year. Financial projection currently based on enrollment of 120. Motion by Karen for enrollment cap at LNCS High School for 2008-09 school year set at 305, second by Tricia. Motion carried.

Managing Director's report presented by Ben Putman:

- Proposal and Quotation from Technology Consultant Group presented, reviewed, and discussed. Total fee noted at \$30,000.00. Motion by Tricia, second by Tom to approve technology contract as presented. Motion carried.
- Leadership update by Ms. Young. Career fair planned for May 30, 2008 – speakers needed.
- Academic eligibility policy revisions for athletes presented, reviewed, and discussed.
 - High School athletic policy proposal presented by Allen Long. Discussion. Overall GPA required for athletic participation proposed at 2.5, with no grade of “F”. Further discussion by Mr. Cannon, 2 presented policy proposals reviewed and discussed. Motion by Tricia to approve High School athletic policy as presented with noted revisions AND presented athletic policy for Middle School as version 3 with no grade lower than 77% with “grandfather” allowance of eligibility for students under the current 2007-08 athletic academic policy for fall 2008 sports, second by Kristi. Motion carries 8-2.
- 8th grade promotion ceremony changed to an 8th grade recognition ceremony. All 8th grade students will be allowed to participate.
- Rate for unused PTO dates \$75.00 per day currently. Motion by Karen to continue unused PTO rate @ \$75.00/day for cash out, second by Billy. Motion carried.
- Odyssey of the Mind world trip. Motion by Karen to approve request for Odyssey of the Mind team to travel to World competition in Maryland, second by Tom. Motion carried.

High School report

- Recent “Sound to Seas” field trip great success, without discipline issues.
- Discussion of summer school. Not offered @ LNCS. Outside sources are available.
- High School overseas field trips information packet presented for review. Further discussion at June board meeting.
- Discussion by Terri regarding “clubs” and extracurricular activities @ LNCS High School. Thoughts of exploring international studies activities.
- High School Lacrosse discussed by Allen L. Proposal to initiate as “club” sport for the upcoming school year. Cost estimate presented at approximately \$1500.
- Health education/sex education upcoming in mid May. Advance notice letters will be sent to parents.
- Teacher hire update and guidance counselor update by Terri.

Treasurer’s report: none

Committee Reports:

- Audit and Evaluation – recommendation to use same company as last year. Motion by Ron to appoint Potter and Company as auditors for 2008, second by Billy. Motion carried.
- Budget and Finance – recommend approval of proposed 2008-09 budget. Motion by Billy to approve 2008-09 budget as proposed, second by Karen. Motion carried.
- Policies and Procedures – no policies for approval. Web-based survey tool update by Tricia.
- Long Range Planning – discussion of high school expansion process by Rich.
- Nominating –
 - Motion by Ron to have Rich extend tenure to second 3 year term effective July 1, 2008, second by Rob. Motion carried.
 - 9 candidates recently interviewed for board position. Anita Blowers selected by committee to fill upcoming non-voting position on board. Motion by Rob to have Anita Blowers fill non-voting position effective July 1, 2008, second by Tom. Motion carried.

Old business:

- Process for health/sex education @ middle school. Request update at June meeting.

Motion by Tricia to enter closed session, second by Eddie . Motion carried. (9:15pm)

Return from closed session @ 10:50pm. Motion by Tricia to adjourn, second by Eddie. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy C. Moore, secretary