



Lake Norman Charter Board Meeting Minutes
Open Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2014

Meeting Called to Order by. Mike Manahan at 7:02 PM

General Meeting

Attending: Mike Manahan – Board Chair, Kevin Lambert-Vice Chair, James Cuttino, Ricky Jones, Steve Jones, Kyle Burkey - Secretary, Mike Putman, Anna Blackwelder, Cynthia Bush - Treasurer, Shannon Stein - Managing Director

I. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Steve Jones to approve September Board Minutes, seconded by James Cuttino, motion carries.

II. Support Organization

A. PTO

- i. The car raffle and auction is completed and the results will be shared next month.
- ii. This year the Spirit Wear committee is selling LNC wear at the home football games and they are currently working on an online sales site to purchase LNC items.
- iii. The second lunch cycle opens this week.
- iv. The New Family Tailgate headed by Tracy Fasel was last month and was successful.
- v. The Hospitality Committee is preparing for a staff luncheon a week from tomorrow.
- vi. The next PTO meeting is October 14th.

B. Athletic Boosters – No items to report

III. Public Comments – No public comments

IV. Managing Director's Report

- A. Comparison Numbers – Mr. Pierce shared LNC's EOG/EOC testing scores from last year. Mr. Pierce stated that LNC had a great year as far as test scores. 93.4% of LNC students met the ACT benchmark which is set by the State. All of the school's subgroups met their targets and LNC as a whole is in the top half of the state.
- B. Communications Update – Sara Lay presented the Communication Plan for 2014-2015. It documents the communication throughout the year.
- C. Shannon reported how the State Board of Education approved the changing of the grading scale and the weighting of courses on student transcripts. They have stated that it will take place with this year's 8th grade class. The grading scale will now be a 10 point grading scale (vs. a current 7 point scale) and the weighting scale will be a 5 point scale for AP course/honors courses (vs. the current 6 point scale for AP). Shannon noted that she felt their implementation plan was very

poor due to having multiple grade levels in one class depending on the course at the high school level.

- D. Mr. Patterson is partnering with Davison College to design best practice modules on-line blending learning modules to teach physics. The program is called Next Ed.

V. **Finance Update**

Harrella is continuing work on the audit. She hopes to report 1st Quarter numbers at the November meeting. Acadia will meet with the Finance committee on the 23rd at 7:00 AM.

VI. **Old Business**

A. Strategic Planning Committees

- i. Cross Cultural – None
- ii. College Counseling - None
- iii. Technology – Mr. Cuttino presented a PPT with the short term goals and gave a program update: We have deployed 1200 iPads, 115 devices to teachers, upgraded from 10MB internet connection to 250MB, first charter school to get this amount of circuit. Initialized small mini-pilot with 4 teachers from each campus to evaluate MAC minis, Schoology has been released.
- ii. Several teachers and students demonstrated how the technology was affecting student learning to help students organize, collaborate and have access to new tools.
- i. Living the Mission - None
- ii. Knights Fund Update – Mr. R Jones wanted to thank everyone who has been part of this new committee and shared that the name of the campaign will be: Knights Fund-Invest in Excellence.

VII. **New Business**

A. Staff Recommendations

- i. Ryan McGrady was recommended to replace Sarah May, HS Science teacher. He has a bachelor's degree in environmental science and has experience as a past Sound of Sea instruction.

Motion to approve staffing recommendations by Jim Cuttino, seconded by Ricky Jones, motion carries.

B. Withdrawal Policy

- i. At the last meeting the staff was concerned about the wording of this policy. The committee revised the policy and presented it for a vote. The Policy Committee worked on fixing this. They added the following: "addition to a student failing to attend school" and "contact family as well."

Motion by Jim Cuttino to approve the withdrawal policy, seconded by Kevin Lambert, motion carries. Dissenting: Cynthia Bush.

Motion to adjourn by Jim Cuttino seconded by Mike Putman, motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:08 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Kyle Burkey, assisted by Danielle Derwich