



## Lake Norman Charter Board Meeting Minutes

### *Open Meeting Minutes*

*September 3, 2015*

**Call to order at 7:04 PM by Kevin Lambert**

#### **General Meeting**

Attending: Kevin Lambert – Board Chair, Cynthia Bush, Ricky Jones, Steve Jones, Mike Putman, Shannon Stein – Superintendent, Sherry Latten, Anna Blackwelder, Kyle Burkey

**I. Call to Order** by Kevin Lambert at 7:04 pm

**II. Governance**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

*Minutes were amended and Jones made a motion to approve with Latten seconded, minutes were approved.*

**IV. Support Group Update**

- A. PTO - Shannon spoke for Angie; Friday Oct. 2nd 5:30 Welcome incoming families to LNC through this tailgate followed by the football game (5:30-6:30) by the HS; Lunch program running very smoothly; Carpool raffle has been planning their annual raffle - Monday Sept 14 tickets go on sale and winners announced Sept. 21.
- B. Athletic Boosters - Year is off and running; Teams are doing well; big first Home Football game this Friday; Athletic Board has now expanded and we have a Parent Liaison now; Social event in August for the Athletic Boosters to solicit volunteers for the year; Membership \$29,000 so far and want 75% as a goal for all athletic students to join the boosters; HS gym - new championship banners are up and they look great! New tent for admissions to games this year; Boosters are kicking in \$100 to head coaches to help buy gifts for their seniors.

**V. Managing Director's Report**

- A. Junior Leadership Lake Norman - Costa talked about this - 18 students are chosen for the Lake Norman Area - have monthly meetings, dinners, etc. and it is an excused absence from school - 6 of the 18 are from NC! Siera Williams McCloud was here tonight representing to us on this and other students were mentioned as the members representing LNC - this is done through the Lake Norman Chamber of Commerce.
- B. HS Student Council - Smith introduced some Student Council members to talk to the board - "See something Say Something" - create awareness throughout the school with three designated bulletin boards which allow students to communicate their thoughts about diversity - "wristband Wednesday" students are called to the office to win prizes if they are caught wearing their bracelets; also "Break The Pattern" shirts are being sold to raise awareness – Google forms were made by the students to have for those students

who don't want to talk to others about how they are feeling, they can fill one of these out and turn it into the office - this was introduced to the students through grade level assemblies and it was also presented through the English classrooms and also presented to the staff - discussions on student reactions about this initiative - student leaders encouraging their peers to go to a teacher and talk to them about their thoughts; Student Council is also going to partner with the Athletic Boosters to create more spirit and get more student involvement at games by giving out items to the students.

- C. Shannon went to a State Board of Educ. meeting in Raleigh and it was a good meeting - what was very apparent in this meeting was that the Board was unaware of how Charters are looked at by the various communities - concerns were shared and they decided to have another meeting on Oct. 29th; Regional Educational Support Agency was suggested to help trainings for Charter specific with Charter Leaders; Mrs. Padgett and Stein - Fair Funding Bill - Stein and Padgett will hopefully get to speak with the legislators about our stance on the bill; Padgett has been inviting legislators to come as well as Dr. Atkinson; Dr. Atkinson accepted and is coming to LNC on Oct. 13th and we hope she will go back to Raleigh with positive information from us; 5th Grade - "Family Fun Night" - games and food and ice cream available for the families to get to know the 5th grade staff and the staff to get to know the families; Mr. Smith and the HS hosted some officials from Long Island University - President and Assist. Athletic Director came and UNC recommended Long Island to come and visit LNC along with Charlotte Latin, Charlotte Catholic, Providence Day and Charlotte Country Day; Shannon is going to Charlotte County Day to visit with someone in charge of their cross-cultural and she is looking forward to this visit; Terri Costa spoke about our test data through a Smart Board presentation: over 500 HS in NC - LNC is in the top 3% and only 15 schools scored higher than us in their composite ACT and SAT scores - Bush asked how do we get this out to the Media - Sara Lay says through the Knights News, Social Media, The Herald, The Citizen, and possibly the Observer as well.

## **VI. Old Business**

- A. Strategic Planning Goal Check-in - Beginning of the year the strategic committees are getting together to set goals for the year so reports from each committee were shared:
- i. Cross Cultural meet during the summer to set their goals and those goals were read by Putman; he also said there is an Oct. Professional Development for Staff and more to come next year.
  - ii. College Counseling - group has not met yet this year; in the Spring they refreshed their goals; Craig Smith will help co-chair this committee - goals were communications during Back to School Night and a more detailed program for parents in a meeting scheduled on Sept. 17th to get the message out about college counseling; also a counseling newsletter put out quarterly; promoting parents to join the counseling group on Schoology; Explorational Learning promotions; piloting some on-campus programs at the MS; Internships - need to think more in this area; additional programs to follow; Parents want to see a more personalized process for college counseling.
  - iii. Mission and Purpose - gathering information about what our students are doing; committee has not met yet this year but did meet last year at the end of the year

and a survey was given to the MS students and to the HS students (Parent survey had already been done) - the committee will go over the results from these surveys; cross-cultural communications where information is being gathered from students and these stories will be highlighted and shared; feedback from staff on whether the leadership projects being done in the classroom are aligned with the Portrait of an LNC Student - make sure the students are understanding why they are completing these leadership projects.

- iv. Technology - Kisha Braziel has been co-chair of this with Jim Cuttino and both have done a phenomenal job on this committee - in year 2 of "1:World," the committee met this week and Shannon read the three goals from this committee to the Board.

## **VII. New Business**

- A. Board Member Nomination - Lambert reported that the open position had twelve applicants - Thom McElroy was nominated to fill the position held by Mike Manahan - the other candidates were top notch and it was a tough decision to make by the committee to fill this spot.

***Motion to approve by Mike Putman and seconded by Cynthia Bush, motion approved.***

- B. Student Transition Policy - discussion and clarification on this amongst the board; intervention process for students who have academic and/or behavioral issues and this would be more of a formal process used by LNC (used to be called a PEP for students); required by law to have a policy in place.

***Ricky Jones made a motion to approve and Sherry Latten seconded, motion approved.***

***Motion to open close session meeting provided by Sherry Latten, second by Ricky Jones, motion carries.***

8:06pm

## **VIII. Closed Session:**

- A. Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute § 143-318.11(a)(5)

***Motion to end Closed Session provided by Kyle Burkey, second by Sherry Latten, motion carries meeting ends at 8:35pm.***

***Motion to adjourn meeting provided by Ricky Jones, second by Sherry Latten, motion carries meeting ends at 8:35pm.***

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Ricky Jones with assistance by Elizabeth Padgett