

Uwharrie Charter Academy

Board Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2018

Board Members Present

Eric Ward	Julia Del Grande
Ashley Duggins	Stacy Griffin
David McRae	Aaryn Slafky
Holly Moorhead	Angela Kern
Carter Bills	

Board Members not Present:

Michael Strickland	Kristian Allen
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Others Present

Casey Harris	Jennifer Way
Heather Vuncannon	Traci Bricker
Alison Hargett	Kimberly Davis
Amy Pope	

Call to Order: Stacy Griffin called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Teacher Presentations- Casey Harris invited teachers, Amy Pope (K), Kimberly Davis (MS Math), Traci Bricker (HS AG), and Alison Hargett (EC), to share their classroom experiences with the board.

Consent Agenda – Calendar will be approved at the January meeting. Heather has written a proposed amendment to the current Klausner lease that will be year to year with a capped increase beginning with the 2022-23 school year. The proposed amendment has been given to Klausner and we are awaiting their decision. **Angie Kern moved to approve consent agenda with the notation of the public comment edit. Ashley Duggins seconded. All in Favor.**

Finance

Audit Update: Heather explained that the audit is clean but there was a technical glitch in the Linq program financial software required for charter schools). Programmers are working on the technical side to resolve the problems. Should be submitted by December 31st.

NC-CCP Membership- It's Heather's recommendation that we join the NC-CCP. Our membership will last a year and a half as a founding member for \$10,000. **Carter Bills moved to approve membership in NC-CCP. Julia Del Grande seconded. All in Favor.**

Governance:

Bylaws- It's the Executive Committees recommendation that the Executive Committee go from four officers to three, eliminating vice chair position. **Motion to approve changes to Bylaws effective July 1, 2019 by Julia Del Grande. Ashley Duggins seconded. All in Favor.**

Report from Committees- Carter Bills presented a vision and ethics statement that the board will follow and revisit regularly for decision making. The board reviewed the ethics and vision statements and decided to take a vote. **Carter Bills motioned to approve the Ethics and Vision statement with the provision of removing "unwaveringly" from the Ethics statement. Aaryn Slafky seconded. All in favor.** Board members were asked to comment on the pillars and other components of the committee's work that was shared on the drive. Additional comments and ideas are welcomed to help the committee continue to make progress and draw closer to consensus.

Committee Committee- Holly has taken over this committee and reported that drafts of committee descriptions have been completed for finance, academic excellence and governance committees. Holly will put these in a google doc file named Committees Committee for the board to comment on by January 7. Put comments in track changes or send to Holly to be added.

Title 1 Policy Adoption- The board has had a chance to review the **Title I policies McKenny Vento (homeless student policy) and Parent/Student Engagement policy. Motion was made to approve policies as presented in board materials by Angela and seconded by Julia. All in favor.**

Board Officer Elections- Chair, Secretary and Treasurer positions ran unopposed and confirmed by unanimous vote. All in Favor.

Chair- Stacy Griffin

Secretary- Carter Bills

Treasurer- David McRae

Update on Board Position- The board has only received one application for the two board positions available. Ashley will let Heather know by Monday 12/18 if the deadline should be extended and reposted on our website.

Curriculum

2nd Chance Randolph Concept and STEAM through Trade schools: Casey Harris presented an idea to increase trade courses and opportunities at UCA including the addition of a trades building that could include electrical engineering, metals, woodworking, basic construction, pottery, sculpting, computer programming, and other arts. This program would be available to current students in middle and high school as well as provide space in an evening program for students that have dropped out but want to finish high school with specific training and job opportunities with sponsoring companies of the program.

Title I and 2 plan- Hire 5 assistant math coaches for grades 3 - 8 to assist teachers with small group math instruction and data collection to drive math learning for students along with specific training for math teachers. Math manipulatives, training, planning, and data sessions will be a part of the grant. Additionally, desktops will be provided for small group instruction for all middle grade math classrooms.

Leaders Building Leaders Consulting for Academic Improvement- Tom Miller of Leaders Building Leaders has proposed to coach and guide UCA's leadership through their transition to a data-driven school using methods that great teachers use each day in their classrooms to drive instruction from formative and summative assessments and building a playbook for training and reference. UCA hopes to honor its mission while improving its overall school report card grade and student growth in all areas. Heather Vuncannon recommends the six month contract at a cost of \$10,500.

Angela made the motion and David seconded. All in favor.

Lottery Dates- Open enrollment for UCA will begin Jan 7th and the Lottery will take place March 23rd.

Other Business

Contact deans about board member attendance for walkthroughs to get specific details about schedule.

Carter Bills motioned to go into closed session. Angie seconded. All in Favor.

Carter motioned to go out of closed session and adjourn the meeting at 10:15 pm. Eric Ward seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Way