

# **Uwharrie Charter Academy**

## **Board Meeting Minutes**

**May 9, 2019**

**Location: Central Office Foyer**

### **Board Members Present**

*Eric Ward*                      *Julia Del Grande*

*Ashley Duggins*              *Stacy Griffin*

*Kristian Allen*                *Aaryn Slafky*

*Holly Moorhead*              *Angela Kern*

*Michael Strickland*        *David McRae*

### **Members Absent**

*Carter Bills*    (*via phone*)

### **Others Present**

*Casey Harris*                *Chad Douglas*

*Susan Yow*                    *Maxine Wright*

### **UCA Board Ethics Statement**

Uwharrie Charter Academy will make decisions that are morally sound, environmentally responsible, fiscally fit, safe for the community, adaptable and promote the development of its students, always with integrity.

### **Call to Order**

Stacy Griffin called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

### **Teacher Presentations**

In lieu of teacher presentations, the board walked next door to the middle school for 30 minutes and observed presentations for STEAM night.

### **Public Comment**

No public comment

### **Consent Agenda**

**A Motion was made by Aaryn Slafky to approve the Chief Academic Officer's report, Treasurer's report, and March minutes that were submitted, Ashley Duggins seconded. All in Favor, none opposed.**

### **Finance/Facilities:**

**a. Committee report-** David McRae reported that the finance committee will meet June 26<sup>th</sup>.

**b. Facility Improvements for Summer and 19-20-** Chad Douglas asked for \$31,500 to repair and improve the soccer field using the same company that is constructing our softball field. They would create the proper drainage, raise the field 6 inches with sand, and sprig Bermuda grass. This must be done in May for the grass to grow properly and be ready for the fall soccer season. The money would come from local funds. The board suggested that more financial information is needed before a vote can be taken. The board asked for a comprehensive maintenance plan with costs associated for all sports, buildings, etc. This plan should include projects (through 3 years) so that items and costs are weighed against all needs and given due to importance based on totality of school ongoing maintenance needs.

**c. Logistics for Graduation-** All board members, staff and seniors will park at Pinewood Country Club and will be shuttled over. Guests will park at the High School and Middle School. Handicapped seating will be available in the gym. Staff will be on hand to direct traffic and make sure cars are parked in the right locations so traffic can enter and exit smoothly. An email will be sent out to the board closer to graduation with more specific details. Casey will ensure that disabled seating is also addressed.

**d. Transportation Planning-** Chad and Casey reported from Van, three new buses will be needed for the next school year. The board suggested that a bus maintenance program be implemented for the safety of our students. The board requested a transportation update to also address bus maintenance and safety. Van Hurley could not attend this meeting and will present at the June board meeting.

**e. Audit Results:** This year was a profitable year. Ten-month employees will be paid on a 10-month time frame rather 12 months starting in the fall. There were some deficiencies in processes that were noted and will be corrected for the upcoming year.

### **Governance:**

**a. Board Self-assessment-** The Executive Committee will work in collaboration with the Governance Committee on a board self-assessment and have it ready for the fall.

**b. Committee report-** Holly Moorhead reported that the Board Handbook should be ready in June. Many updates have been made due to the rapid growth of our school.

Aaryn provided Mr. Harris a list of items needed for updating the handbook with a submission date that required a quick turn-around.

**Academic Excellence:**

**a. Committee Report-** Walk throughs for the board will be set up by the Deans. Mornings are better for the Elementary School and afternoons for the High School.

**b. Strategic Planning Follow-up-** The Tom Miller Planning Meeting will be on a Saturday from 8:30-12:30. The board will submit availability dates for August, October, and November to Stacy Griffin by Monday 5/13. August 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> were discussed as possible dates. Stacy will coordinate the dates with Tom Miller and decide on a definite date. September dates for the board were unavailable.

**d. Lunch and Learn with Legislators at Central Office-** The board should RSVP to Susan Yow. The Lunch and Learn will be held in the Eagle Central Gymnasium at 1:15 on May 31<sup>st</sup>. Lunch will be served and Heather Vuncannon will conduct the meeting that will last approximately 1.5 hours.

**Closed Session:** Stacy Griffin called for closed session

**UCA Board Vision Statement**

Uwharrie Charter Academy is the model of innovative learning environments where curiosity, adaptability, and critical thinking are inspired through transformative methods and passionate educators preparing graduates for the rapidly evolving world

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Way

\*(recorded and partially transcribed by Susan Yow)

