

**Uwharrie Charter Academy  
Board of Directors *Called Meeting*  
July 16, 2020 via Conference Call  
*Public Record Minutes***

Board Members Present:

Carter Bills	Kristian Allen	Wanda Pegg
Holly Moorhead	David Van Derveer	Eric Ward
Chelsey Butler	Aaryn Slafky	Angela Kern
Greg Zephir	Maxine Wright	

Other Present:

Casey Harris  
Ryan Nelson  
Chad Douglas

**Call to Order**

Carter Bills called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

**Public comment**

No public comment.

**Reopening Plan**

Plans for reopening school – Casey Harris reported that school will begin August 6<sup>th</sup> with Plan B, in adherence to Governor Cooper’s order that public schools may operate under a Plan B or a mixture of Plans B and C. K-6 will be face-to-face on a rotating schedule where half the students will report on Mondays and Tuesdays, an half will attend on campus on Wednesdays and Thursdays, leaving Friday as a remote learning day. 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades will be virtual Monday through Friday with tutoring by appointment available on Fridays. K-6<sup>th</sup> grade students may opt to be 100% virtual and a survey will be sent out asking families to elect which option for their K-6 students. The NC Department of Public Instruction will be issuing attendance standards. Students will be held accountable for grades, work and attendance. Teachers will be doing both virtual online teaching and face to face. The structure and communication will be emailed out Monday. Plan will be continuously reviewed as trends change with COVID and as the State issues new mandates and standards. UCA will continually assess the feasibility to phase in face to face learning on campus. Cleaning will take place daily, including the use of backpack cleaning solution foggers on all three campuses and in busses. Deep cleaning will take place on Fridays. Masks will be required and face shields will be used for phonics instruction to allow students to see teachers’ lip movements.

Motion by Angela Kerns, on behalf of the Academic Excellence Committee, seconded by Aaryn Slafky, to accept the reopening plan for options A, B, and C, as presented by interim Superintendent Casey Harris, and that August 6 will start with plan B while reserving the right to revise this plan based on changing conditions in this pandemic and that any decisions made will take into account both academic rigor and social/emotional needs of our students and staff. All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions. Motion carried.

**Other Business/New Business**

Casey brought to the board the need for a school nurse. He reached out to source regarding a contracted nurse. He will bring a proposal to the board in the future. Chad Douglas reported that athletics are still in Phase 1 and that the high school athletics association has said they will make an announcement pertaining to sports on September 1. Ryan Nelson shared his research regarding hand sanitizing stations. Ryan recommends the purchase of 10 stations and 50 gallons of hand sanitizer from former board member David McRae's company. Ryan said that after researching local and online sources, he found this to be the most cost-effective solution, at a cost of \$299 per station. Carter asked about budgeting or fundraising for clear face shields to be added to the PPE inventory.

**Adjourn**

A motion was made by David Van Derveer, seconded by Eric Ward, to adjourn. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried. The called meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm.