

**MILLENNIUM CHARTER ACADEMY**  
**A CHALLENGE FOUNDATION ACADEMY**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 14, 2014**

The Board of Directors for Millennium Charter Academy met in regular session on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 at 5:30 pm. Those Directors present included Philip Byers, Hugh Campbell, Marty Danley, Renee Francis, Ken Gwyn, David Hiatt, Greg Marshall, Erik Moledor, Cheryl Reinstadler, and Christopher Willingham. Also present were Kirby McCrary (Headmaster) and Angelia Draughn (MPACT Club President).

Susan Shipley was not present at the meeting.

Ken Gwyn called the meeting to order, Kirby McCrary led the Board in an Invocation, and Ken Gwyn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion of Philip Byers, seconded by Cheryl Reinstadler, the Board unanimously approved the proposed Agenda.

Upon motion of Philip Byers, seconded by Renee Francis, the December 2013 Board Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved.

There were no Public Comments.

Angelia Draughn gave a report from MPACT.

- MPACT has approximately \$12,000 in its checking account.
- December's Jingle Bell Jamboree was a great success and raised about \$1000.
- Upcoming events include the World's Finest Chocolate sale, spring box top campaign, car magnet sale, and the Spring Fling and Pride Ride.

Kirby McCrary presented the Headmaster's Report, emphasizing the following items:

- Current enrollment is 536, 108% (536/498) of the Five Year Plan.
- We currently have 56 applications for the 2014-15 Kindergarten class, which is well above the number we usually have in mid-January.
- Mr. McCrary presented a draft of the 2014-15 calendar. It was noted that the Christmas and Spring breaks match those scheduled by Surry County Schools. Mount Airy City Schools has not yet approved a calendar. Upon motion of Hugh Campbell, seconded by Renee Francis, the Board unanimously approved this calendar.
- Mr. McCrary played a draft of the MCA television commercial which is scheduled to air on WXII on January 13, 20, and 27 between 6:00-7:00am (local news) and 4:00-5:00pm (Dr. Oz). The commercial draft was well received by the Board.
- Mr. McCrary gave a presentation about MCA at the Surry Leadership class on January 8.
- Mr. McCrary reported that we have more latitude in our state graduation requirements than we originally thought, so MCA will now be able to offer a more rigorous and classical curriculum. Pam Braley, Upper School Director, has revised the Upper School curriculum to provide high

school credit for certain seventh and eighth grade classes and allow students to select elective clusters earlier than in the original plan.

- We have received the most recent Connect CFA magazine and will be distributing them to parents soon.

Greg Marshall gave a combined Treasurer and Finance Committee report.

- As of December 31, 2013 MCA has approximately \$375,000 in the bank.
- Mr. Marshall distributed and commented on the Budget Report. He will provide a Budget Adjustment Report at the next Board Meeting.
- There was some discussion of the relative merits of different options for accounting, budgeting, and financial management services: continuing on with Acadia NorthStar, engaging another accounting firm, or bringing these functions in house.

There was no report from the Board Development Committee.

Cheryl Reinstadler gave a TeamCFA Report. Among the topics were the following:

- Ms. Reinstadler reported that TeamCFA is reviewing their corporate approach to affiliate school agreements and will report on further developments at a later date.
- The 2014 TeamCFA Conference will be held June 26-29, 2014 in Phoenix, Arizona. Board members should let Mr. McCrary know by the end of January if they are planning to attend.
- School development lunches are being planned in regions where TeamCFA Fellows are interested in establishing new schools.
- The invitations for the April 18 TeamCFA luncheon for MCA staff will be sent soon.
- Ken Gwyn and Chris Willingham reported on a successful meeting they had with John Bryan (TeamCFA Founder), Cheryl Reinstadler, and Phillip Byers.

Marty Danley gave a report from the High School Committee.

- The MCA Campaign for Achievement kicked off at a school event in December.
- A semi-formal fundraising event is scheduled for May 10, 7:00-11:00 at Cross Creek Country Club.
- There has been much activity toward financing the school expansion.
  - Meetings have been held with Surrey Bank and a USDA representative. Surrey Bank has scheduled a preliminary approval meeting for January 16. Formal approval would probably occur in mid-to-late March. A required environmental form will be submitted soon.
  - Meetings have been held with Mr. Bryan from CF Properties regarding a \$250,000 bridge loan to begin construction.
  - Meetings have been held with PNC Bank regarding an 18-month bridge loan to begin construction.
- The Facility Team reported that
  - Permit documents were submitted on December 11. A difficulty that has arisen in obtaining approval for these documents is that the FEMA flood map is incorrect and needs to be adjusted before approval. Efforts are underway to have the flood map corrected.
  - Detailed drawings have been authorized so steel design can be finalized.

- Their goal is to begin construction in the 3rd week of February following a ground-breaking ceremony.
- Marty Danley lauded Omega Construction for their efforts to this point on the expansion, and Christopher Willingham further magnified the praise.

Hugh Campbell reported that a resolution passed by the Surry County Republican Executive Committee on January 2, 2014 praised MCA, stating

We extend our appreciation to the faculty, administrators, and the Board of Directors of MCA for all that is done, often with limited resources, to promote quality education. The hard work and achievement that we see does not go unnoticed. We pledge our support for continuing improvement.

Upon motion of Chris Willingham, seconded by Renee Francis, the Board unanimously approved adjournment of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted  
Erik S. Moledor

Attachments: Headmaster's Report