

MILLENNIUM CHARTER ACADEMY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
March 26, 2019

The Board of Directors for Millennium Charter Academy met in regular session on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 5:30 pm. Those Directors present included David Hiatt, Susan Shipley, Mark Hampton, Susan Campbell, Christopher Willingham, Beth Southern and Marty Danley. Headmaster Kirby McCrary and Finance Officer Patty Bare were also present for the meeting. David Hiatt called the meeting to order and Kirby McCrary led the Board in an Invocation. David Hiatt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Renee Francis and Lee Rierson were not present for the meeting.

Adoption of Proposed Agenda: Upon the motion of Mark Hampton, seconded by Christopher Willingham, the proposed agenda was adopted.

Approval of Minutes: Upon the motion of Mark Hampton, seconded by Susan Shipley, the February 2019 meeting minutes were approved.

Public Comment:

1. Brandon Hiatt addressed the Board requesting to acquire MCA property that borders his residence.
2. Mt. Airy City Attorney Hugh Campbell presented Greenway expansion plans that utilize MCA property on Riverside Drive. City is requesting a 50ft easement along the bank of the Ararat River.

Report of Affiliated Organizations: None

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

1. Strengthening the **school's security** the Internal Threat Assessment Team (ITAT) is now in place and the school now has a two-fold plan for dealing with intruders, thanks to the help of the Mount Airy Police Department. There will be two rehearsals by year's end, one announced and one unannounced.
2. The 2019-2010 **upper school course catalog** is now published. It includes an array of classes being offered within the high school clusters (STEM, humanities, entrepreneurial). New courses include: Creative Writing, Speech and Debate, Journalism, AP Chemistry, Anatomy and Physiology, Computer Science, Computer Applications, and Philosophy.
3. Lori Spencer, MCA librarian, sponsored activities for **Read Across America**, which at MCA highlights literature. Teacher and administrators arrived to various classes as guest readers. Lower school students dressed as book characters for a parade throughout the school. Faculty and staff posted one of their favorite books just outside their doors. Numerous teachers from kindergarten to twelfth grades decorated their doors based on pieces of literature.
4. Lu Ann Browne, Director of Development, Pam Braley, Upper School Director, and Mr. McCrary hosted "**Coffee Chats**" with rising ninth graders, as well as with current ninth graders. With juices, teas, hot chocolates, and coffees to drink, the students were asked to respond to *When you think about high school and the years immediately following, what is important to you? About what do you feel apprehensive? To what are you looking forward?* Many astute students spoke, and their comments will help give shape to the upper school. In a few weeks, we will host similar chats for sophomores and juniors.
5. The March edition of "The Herald" addressed the advantages of MCA joining the North Carolina High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA).

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Report of the Treasurer: Treasurer Susan Shipley and Finance Office Patty Bare gave a combined Treasurer and Finance Committee report.

Report of Standing Committees:

Board Development: None

Unfinished Business:

Housekeeping Services: Budd will transition housekeeping services to MCA in May

Lawn Services: Upon the motion of David Hiatt, seconded by Mark Hampton and approved unanimously the board agreed to enter into contract with Goodson's Lawn Care. Goodson's will begin services May 1, 2019.

New Business:

Insurance: Finance Officer Patty Bare is reviewing insurance coverage, rates, and companies.

Brandon Hiatt Request: Director David Hiatt to research property boundaries and fair market value of requested property.

Mt. Airy Easement Request: Tabled for further discussion.

At 7:00pm the Board unanimously approved the motion of Mark Hampton, seconded by Chris Willingham, to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted
Marty Danley

Attachments: Agenda, Headmaster's Report



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