



Board Meeting Minutes
Monthly Meeting
September 14, 2020
Rocky Mount Prep Elementary School Media Center
6:00 p.m.

The mission of Rocky Mount Prep is to educate, equip and empower each scholar to excel academically by providing equitable learning opportunities and collaborating with families and communities.

Board Members in Attendance:

Board Members Present

Keen Gravely
Shelton Daniel (by phone)
Daniel Harwell
Charles Davis
Jean Kitchin

Board Members Absent

Mark Piatkowski

Administration Present

Dr. Chaunte Garrett
Dr. Glorious Crowder
Haley Ward
Stephanie Horton
Breona Walker
Melody Lynch

Keen Gravely, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:21 p.m.

1. Charter Success Report

a. Cory Draughon, Charter Success Partners, reported that the house bill related to funding for the fiscal year was approved and included a clause known as “hold harmless,” which states that schools will not be penalized for lower than projected enrollment. Draughon informed that CSP is awaiting final written confirmation before adjusting financial projections.

b. Cory Draughon, Charter Success Partners, reported that he will follow up with financial statements and reports once reconciled.

2. Approval of Agenda

a. Daniel Harwell made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Charles Davis, and unanimously approved.

3. Approval of Minutes

a. Daniel Harwell made a motion to approve the August monthly meeting minutes, seconded by Charles Davis, and unanimously approved.

4. Start of the Year

a. Dr. Chaunte Garrett, Head of School, provided updates regarding the start of the school year to include the school's initiatives for the 2020-21 school year including the 1:1 initiative, college and career readiness, social emotional learning and parent engagement.

b. Dr. Chaunte Garrett, Head of School, reported the school's current needs as device and internet access for families (exploring opportunities within the community), attendance consistency, and social activities for scholars including clubs and other opportunities.

5. Reopening Plans

a. Dr. Chaunte Garrett, Head of School, discussed the decision-making process for reopening plans with the following priorities: safety, high-quality instruction, and technology integration. Garrett reported the following steps to be taken in the decision-making process: 1) feedback – survey to staff, parents and scholars, 2) local data analysis – how is COVID-19 impacting Nash County? 3) research – other schools/districts that have reopened and potential impacts of flu season, 4) context for Rocky Mount Prep – how is COVID-19 currently impacting our school community?

6. 2020-2021 Scholar-Family Handbook

a. Jean Kitchin made a motion to accept the 2020-2021 Scholar-Family Handbook as presented, seconded by Charles Davis and unanimously approved.

7. Title IX Policy and Process

a. Jean Kitchin made a motion to accept the Title IX policy and process as presented, seconded by Daniel Harwell and unanimously approved.

8. Closed Session

a. Jean Kitchin made a motion to move into closed session to confer with the board attorney and consider personnel matters, seconded by Daniel Harwell, and unanimously approved at 7:11 p.m.

b. Jean Kitchin made a motion to move back into open session, seconded by Daniel Harwell, and unanimously approved at 8:35 p.m.

9. Open Session

- a. Daniel Harwell made a motion to approve new hires, seconded by Jean Kitchin and unanimously approved.

10. Adjournment

- a. Daniel Harwell made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jean Kitchin, and the motion was approved unanimously at 8:36 p.m.