

**Anderson Creek Academy
Board of Director's Meeting
Minutes
October 3, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. David Levinson. He welcomed board members, staff and guests. A quorum was present.

Board Members Present:

David Levinson
Marilyn Levinson
Kerry Agnello
John Werderman
Ann Stein
Steve Shotz

Guests: Dr. Mary Majors, Ms. Bevins, Mr. Haggard, Ms. Polk, Ms. Laughlin and Ms. Fitzgerald

Board Members Absent:

Andy Barr
Grace Merkle

Review of Previous Minutes: Mr. Werderman moved to approve, Dr. Agnello seconded, **motion passed.**

Chairman's Report:

Mr. Levinson updated discussion with Dr. Majors strategies to increase the length of the school day for the upper grades (at no cost, Finance Committee concurred). This strategy has with 3 functional goals: foreign language, homework completed at school and remediation/advance work. The vision is that the school will produce students consistently performing ½ grade above current grade.

Committee Reports:

Finance: Mr. Werderman reported that the school is on budget.

Medical: Dr. Agnello reported the AED is fully functional. Dr. Agnello further reported that the cost of an Epi Pen Cabinet with Epi Pens is \$320, a lower cost than pens acquired alone. Query for Ms. Shaw, School Nurse: does the school already have Epi Pens?

Academic: Ms. Merkle absent.

Uniform: Ms. Stein asked that jackets/coats be labeled. Dr. Majors stated this reminder would be added to the website. Ms. Stein stated that the new logo is available. Mr. Levinson reminded the group that the old logos are grandfathered indefinitely.

Building/Grounds: Mr. Barr absent. Mr. Levinson reported that lettering for the entrance monument and Ms. Stein to coordinate for multipurpose room sign replacement.

Head of School Report: Dr. Majors presented her report. Mr. Haggard reported that a review of potential playground additions is in progress. Parent volunteers raised over \$13k for new playground equipment.

Dr. Majors requested that the Board approve student excused absences for recent weather. Ms. Stein moved and Dr. Agnello seconded to approve Dr. Majors' request to approve student excused absences for recent weather. **Motion passed.**

Mr. Levinson stated that Dr. Majors is reviewing individual plans for each 4th grade student to address the end of grade passing rate for 3rd graders last year. Dr. Majors will review the progress quarterly. Mr. Werderman stated he worked with Leaders Building Leaders last year for improvement recommendations.

Mr. Levinson indicated he wished to consult with the Finance Committee for a program planned for third term.

Dr. Majors indicated she wished to hire Ms. Hedrick. Ms. Stein moved, Mr. Werderman seconded. Details to be discussed in closed session.

New Business:

New Internet: Mr. Werderman stated that the school accountant, Mr. Cooper, had found an updated internet link through the State of NC at a much lower cost. This would result in approximately \$10k per year in cost savings. Ms. Stein inquired if this would have the same speed and response time for repairs. Mr. Werderman said he thought so, and asked Ms. Stein to confirm with Mr. Cooper that the speed and customer service would be consistent, and that Mr. Joel Davis on email exhibit represented DPI. Ms. Stein confirmed these items Mr. Cooper. Mr. Levinson asked that the contract be approved with an addendums based on Ms. Stein's confirmations. Mr. Werderman indicated that there would be 3-4 months before this would take effect. Mr. Werderman moved to approve, Dr. Agnello seconded. **Motion passed.**

Old Business

Finance Policy. Mr. Werderman has received feedback from Mr. Levinson; Ms. Stein stated she would send hers again.

Board Policy. Ms. Stein will add the Mr. Levinson's feedback and Volunteer information to the board policy. Requested feedback from other members.

Administrative Policy Dr. Majors to check with Ms. Merkle on policy.

Public Comment:

Parents raised clarifications of earlier discussions.

Closed Session Ms. Stein moved, Mr. Shotz seconded to move into closed session to discuss a contract and medical concerns. **Motion passed.**

Board went into closed session; board came out of closed session.

Motion passed to hire Ms. Kedrick.

Mr. Werderman moved to hire a K-2 Teachers' Assistant. Mr. Shotz seconded.

Motion passed.

Adjournment

Ms. Stein moved to adjourn; Dr. Agnello seconded. **Motion passed.**