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Agenda

HCA Executive Board Meeting

3/28/2017

6:00p.m.

HCA Commons Area

Meeting called to order

- Mr. Edwards, President called meeting to order 6:00pm; parents were acknowledged.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – Mr. Murray led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Parent Questions / Presentations: There were no parent presentations, so the Board moved to the business portion of the board meeting where parents were invited to stay as observers. – **Mr. Edwards**

Announcements: There were no announcements, the board moved to the reports portion of the meeting.

– **Mr. Edwards**

Reports

There were several amendments to the agenda. -**Mr. Edwards**

I would like to make an amendment to the agenda to vote on the minutes from last month's meeting – **Mr. Edwards**

I would like to make a motion that the board vote on amending the agenda to vote on the minutes from last month meeting

- **Mrs. Rye**

I second the motion for the board vote to amend the agenda to vote on the minutes from last month's meeting -**Mr. Murray**

All in favor to vote to board amend the agenda to vote on the minutes from last month's meeting;

All not in favor to vote that the board amend the agenda to vote on the minutes from last month's meeting – **Mr. Edwards**

Make sign by raise of hand –

So moved –

Passed unanimously

I would like to make an amendment to the agenda to vote on the 2017-2018 academic calendar – **Mr. Edwards**

I would like to make a motion that the board vote on amending the agenda to vote on the 2017-2018 academic calendar

– **Mr. Murray**

I second the motion the board vote to amend the agenda to vote on the 2017-2017 academic calendar – **Mrs. French**

All in favor to vote the board amend the agenda to vote on the 2017-2018 academic calendar? – **Mr. Edwards**

All not in favor to vote the board amend the agenda to vote on the 2017-2018 academic calendar? - **Mr. Edwards**

Make a sign with hands-

So moved

Motion passed – unanimously

Motion was made to approve calendar 2017-2018 – Mr. Murray

The motion was seconded - Mrs. French

Motion passed unanimously

I would like to make an amendment to the agenda to change the items reviewed under Governance Chair. – **Mr. Taylor**

I would like to make a motion that the board vote on amending the agenda to change the items reviewed under Governance Chair. –

Mr. Murray

I second the motion to vote to amend the agenda to change items reviewed under Governance Chair-

All in favor of amending the agenda to change items under Governance Chair- **Mr. Edwards**

All not in favor of amending the agenda to change items under Governance Chair- **Mr. Edwards**

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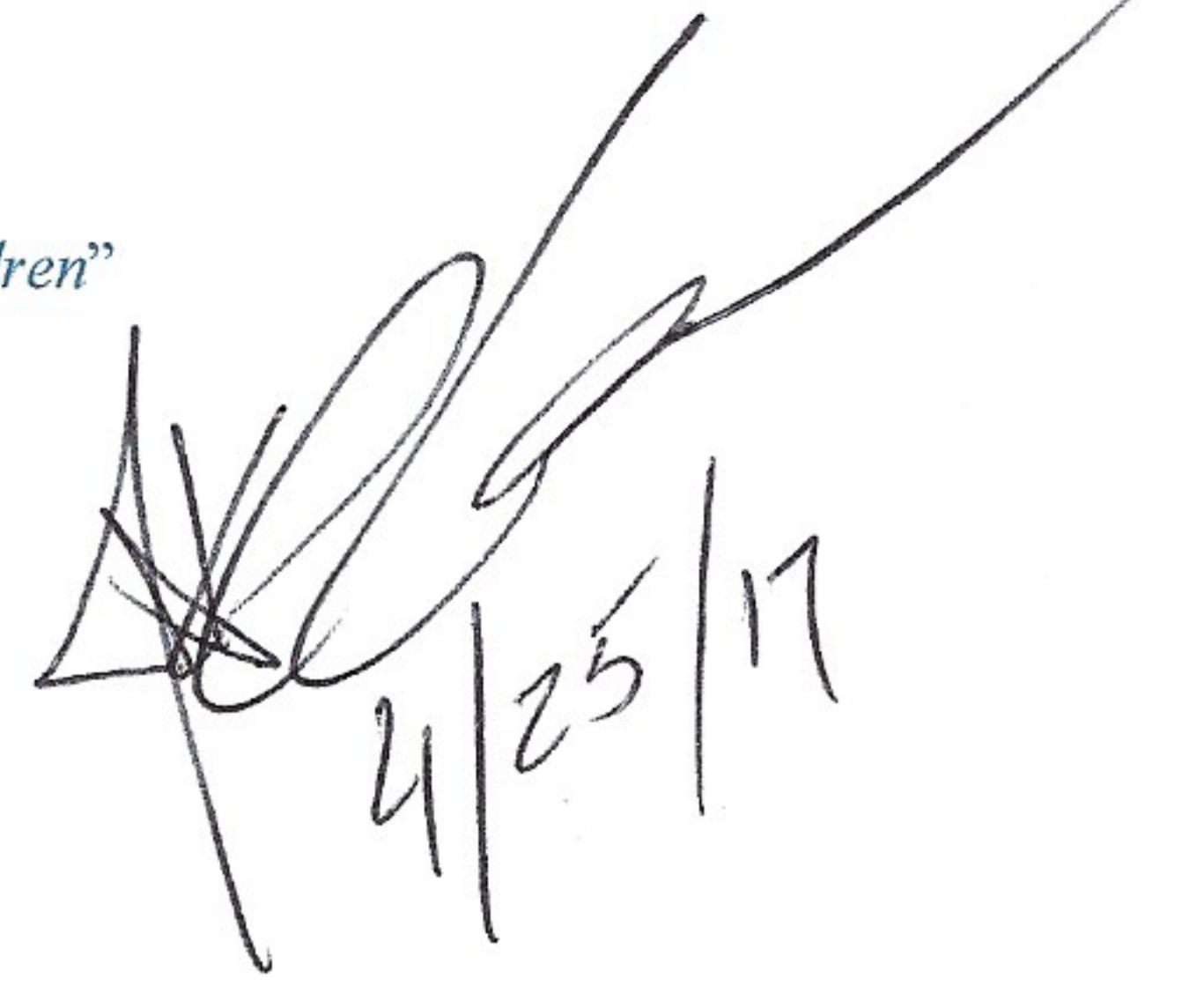
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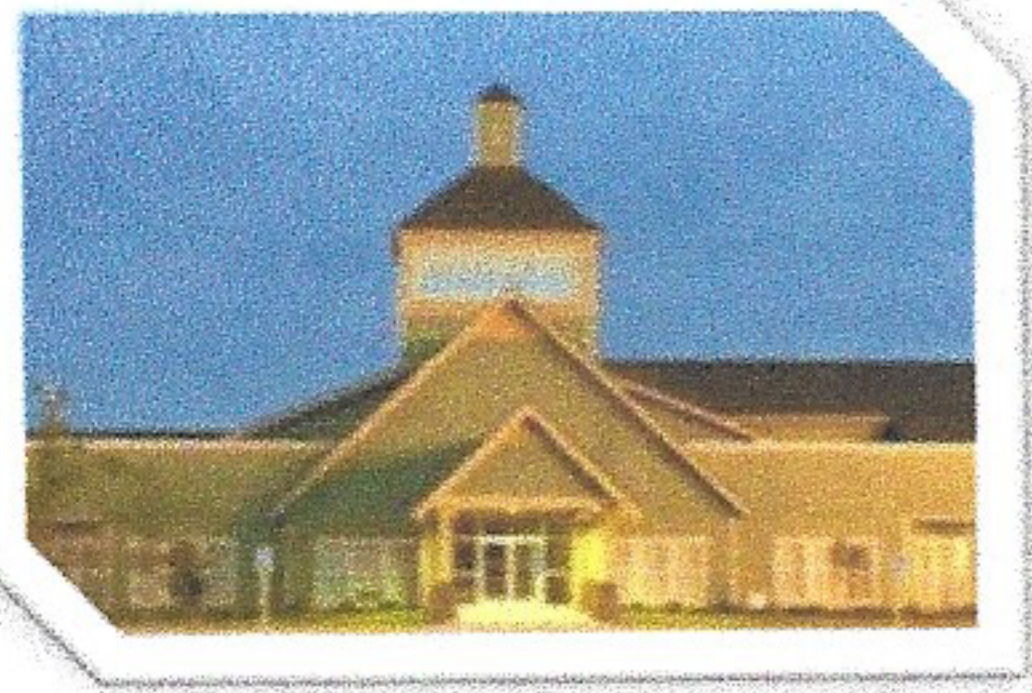
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**Make a sign with hands-
So moved
Passes unanimous**

Finance Report :

Board Treasurer : Mrs. Bowman

- Monthly Finance Report: **Mr. Moser did not attend / Mr. Brown + 51,000.00**

Adding an art teacher

Adding a music teacher

Adding a 3rd grade teacher

Adding a 1st grade teacher

We have enough to add another 5K but are not going to at this time;

We hired another PE teacher

We hired an inschool suspension teacher;

Would like to start a little conservative and we can work on it more at the start at the beginning of the year when we see the numbers.

- HCA incorporating a PTO or PTA – **Dr. Roberson**

O = Organization independent, has no dues

A = Association Prestige, pays dues, part of a state and national organization

My recommendation would be to go with the PTO. – **Dr. Roberson**

The PTO should be the ones raising the funds for the driveway and raising the funds for the other things we need the time is behind us

– **Mr. Taylor**

If we are going to do this we have to have someone that is going to have the right person to do it. We have tried it before and it had some success and some failure – **Mrs. Rye**

When we had it before no one wanted to step up when it was time – **Mrs. French**

At the time the administration did not do anything when there was money issues and things- **Mrs. Rye**

So it would be part of our monthly board meetings? – **Mr. Edwards**

If we govern it correctly I do not think we would have a problem – **Mr. Murray**

Do you want it to be governed under the board? – **Mrs. Wheeler**

That normally is governed under administration – **Mr. Taylor**

Next month maybe we can have an update on that – **Mr. Murray**

Education Report:

Education Chair: Ms. Wheeler

- ACPSD Letter concerning Matriculation Schedule – **Dr. Roberson**

You will be presented with a letter that HCA was presented with from Dr. Alfred on Aiken county's reasons why they did not accept HCA's proposed Matriculation schedule. - **Dr. Roberson**

Does Aiken county want us to do a full four-year program? – **Ms. Rye**

Yes, it was our plan to do best practice and add one year at a time. – **Dr. Roberson**

- Data Report – **Ms. Wheeler**

The data numbers are up five percentage points from the last testing period.

Is this a good thing, right? – **Mr. Edward**

Yes, we want them to move up – **Mr. Brown**

Secretaries Report:

Board Secretary: Mrs. French – No Reports

Facilities Report:

Facilities Chair: Mr. Murray

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- Little Stallions – **Mr. Brown**

We are still working on the Little Stallions, however, the school attorney said it may jeopardize our 501c3 if we (HCA) run the program and bring in revenue. We could have someone run it in their name and feed into the school. Administration is still researching to see if there are other options and avenues for a 1-3K program. – **Mr. Murray**

- Pave the Way – **Mr. Murray** – Pave the way is up to \$5,000.00.

- MVP Update – **Mr. Murray**- ATC is dragging their feet. Jim Larson is going to be wanting their \$85,000, we need to move on trying to sell this property.

- I am going to be asking for a vote tonight for a Stage for the Gymnasium. The price would be \$3,000.00. The labor would be free. – **Mr. Murray**

- I would like to make a motion to build the stage. - **Ms. Rye**

- A motion has been made - **Mr. Edward**

- I Second the motion to build the stage at the price of \$3,000.00 – **Mrs. Bowman**

- This subject is now open for discussion if anyone has any questions – **Mr. Edwards**

- Who is the free labor?

- Mr. Voit, and we have parents - **Mr. Murray**

- All in favor for the \$3,000.00 to be paid for the completion of the stage in the gymnasium, make a sign with hands

- All not in favor for the \$3,000.00 to be paid for the completion of the stage in the gymnasium, make a sign with hands -**Mr. Edwards**

- **So Moved**

- **Motion Passed Unanimously**

Governance Report: **Governance Chair: Mr. Taylor**

- I would like to propose and make a motion to have the school attorney attend all board meetings – **Mr. Taylor**

- Motion is made to have the school attorney at all board meetings by - **Mr. Taylor**

- The motion is seconded by - **Mrs. French**

- This subject is now open to discussion if anyone has any questions. – **Mr. Edwards**

- Is there a fee? – **Ms. Rye**

- \$185.00 – 200.00 an hour -**Mr. Brown**

What is our average cost without this? – **Ms. Rye**

We busted the budget last year – **Mr. Brown**

We have cut it down this year – **Mr. Brown**

That would be a luxury in the expense side of the budget. Professionally I do not see the need for it. I think we have the collective knowledge around this table to solve any problem. – **Dr. Roberson**

Can we call him and put him on speaker phone? – **Mr. Murray**

That is a very good approach to take; Mr. Turner will be notified in advance to be on standby for any questions from the Board on the given evening. – **Dr. Roberson**

I think Mr. Murray recommendation is the best – **Dr. Roberson**

Can we amend the motion? – **Ms. Rye**

All in favor of having HCA's attorney at all board meetings, make a sign with hands.

All not in favor of having HCA's attorney at all board meetings, make a sign with hands.

– **Mr. Edwards**

So Moved

- **Motion to have Mr. Turner attend all board meetings did not passed; instead Mr. Turner will be alerted by Dr. Roberson to be on standby based on sensitive items on the agenda.**

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Motion made to amend the agenda to vote on having the school attorney be advised when board meetings are, what is on the agenda, and be available via telephone if needed. – **Mr. Edwards**

-Motion seconded to have school attorney advised when board meetings are, what is on the agenda, and be available via telephone if needed. -

-All in favor to have school attorney advised when board meetings are, what is on the agenda, and be available via telephone if needed. Make a sign by a show of hands.

-All not in favor to have school attorney advised when board meetings are, what is on the agenda, and be available via telephone if needed. Make a sign by a show of hands.

So moved

Motion passed unanimously

- I would like to make a motion that the HCA Administration hire a Strategic Consultant – **Mr. Taylor**
I Second the motion to have the HCA Administration hire a Strategic Consultant – **Mr. Murray**
This subject is now open for discussion is there any questions. – **Mr. Edwards**
Why do we need one, when we have Dr. Roberson with all of his experience and Mr. Brown with high school experience? – **Ms. Rye**
This was not my idea, this was Mr. Turner, he stated HCA would have come a lot closer to getting a high school if they would have worked with a strategic consultant. – **Mr. Taylor**
How much does this cost? -
I have not researched the charges – **Mr. Taylor**
It is normally a one day meeting with this person where everyone gets their ideas out on the table. – **Mr. Taylor**
I think we need to know how much it would cost before we would vote on this, I am always looking on the financial side of it. – **Ms. Rye**
We looked at the fee structure and it would cost \$1,200.00 a day, it is quite expensive. – **Mr. Brown**
I have been trained by the state. Mr. Turner, Mr. Brown and myself can come up with a plan to bring to the board. – **Dr. Roberson**
I would also add Mr. Murray and Ms. Wheeler into the planning process as we will need facilities and education. – **Mr. Brown**
I think it is a good idea to plan. We can do it ourselves if we put it on the calendar and execute that plan- **Mr. Murray**
Can we table this? Have someone look at the plans that our team has put together? send it to Mr. Turner first? – **Ms. Rye**
I would like to table the motion the request to vote for HCA’s administration to hire a strategic consultant
- **Ms. Rye**
I second the motion to table the request to vote for HCA’s administration to hire a strategic consultant – **Mr. Murray**
All in favor of tabling the vote for HCA’s administration to hire a strategic consultant – **Mr. Edwards**
All not in favor of tabling the vote for HCA’s administration to hire a strategic consultant – **Mr. Edwards**
So moved
Motion passed Unanimously
– **Mr. Edwards**
- As noted in the amendment of the agenda we will move from the second reading to the purchasing of the South Carolina Policy Manual – **Mr. Edwards**
- Second reading of the policy development and policy review – **Mr. Taylor**

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- First Reading of
 - o Roles and Responsibilities
 - o Legal Counsel
 - o Ethics
 - o News Media
- **The purchasing of the South Carolina Policy Manual & Yearly updates – Dr. Roberson**
- I would like to make the motion to purchase the South Carolina Policy Manual – **Mr. Taylor**
- I second the motion to purchase the South Carolina Policy Manual – **Mr. Murray**
- The motion has been made, this subject is now open for discussion if anyone has any questions.
– **Mr. Edwards**
Updated every year
- I think it represents best practice and feel this would be the best way forward – **Dr. Roberson**
- All in favor of the purchasing of the South Carolina Policy Manual, by show of hands.
- All not in favor of the purchasing of the South Carolina Policy Manual, by a show of hands
- **Motion passed unanimously**
- I would like to make a motion to amend the agenda to remove the second and first reading listed under Governance – **Mr. Taylor**
- A motion has been made to amend the agenda to remove second reading and first reading listed under Governance. – **Mr. Edwards**
- I second the motion to amend the agenda to remove the second and first reading listed under Governance. – **Mr. Murray**
- A motion has been made and is now open for discussion if anyone has any questions. – **Mr. Edwards**
- All in favor of removing the second and first reading listed under Governance
- All not in favor of removing the second and first reading listed under Governance, by a show of hands
-**Mr. Edwards**
- **Motion passed – 6** (Ms. Rye away at time of vote)

Motion made to move to executive session- **Mr. Murray**

Motion to move to executive session seconded. - **Mr. Taylor**

Questions or Comments: Board President will entertain comments from Board Members after each report.

Executive Session:

- Contractual Matter – **Dr. Roberson**
- Interpersonal Functionality – **Dr. Roberson**
- The Recalibration of Interpersonal Trust - **Dr. Roberson**

Return to Open Session: Call board out of executive session – **Mr. Murray**

Seconded meeting being called out of executive session - **Mrs. French**

Call board meeting to adjourn - **Mr. Murry**

Seconded meeting to adjourn **Mr. Taylor**

Meeting adjourned

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