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Kevin Murray, Chair- present

Michelle Bulmer, Vice Chair- present

Ashley Pitts, Secretary- present

t Audrey Decker, Member- Present Jared Chambliss, Member-Present sent Susan Groseclose, Member Pete Frommer, Member- present Dustin Ennis, Member- present Phyllis Smith, Member- present

# Meeting called to order- called to order at 0603

- Dr. Ann Marie Taylor (Invocation)
- Pledge of Allegiance (K. Murray)
- Ashley Pitts (Mission Statement): "Our mission is to create an innovative and challenging learning environment that teaches the whole learner through the pillars of connection, flexibility, and service".

## Chair's Report:

## Vice Chair's Report:

 COVID Updates- Voting Item – Michelle turned it over to Dr. Taylor to read Nurse James's email. Increased numbers in first week of 46 and that is the highest number of cases reported. Of 46 positive patients 26 of 28 were close contacts that were positive. Our highest numbers were with the highest numbers community wide. Per Dr. Taylor's perspective the workload was way easier. If you choose something different now it may cause an uproar. Michelle spoke about previous guidelines and testing/reporting. Ashley spoke to teachers being out and children not getting a "proper" education. Dr. Taylor stated that teacher absences are not all related to COVID. Michelle asked about absences pre-covid? Absences are not the same because we have more teachers. Dr. Taylor stated that flex subs have helped considerably. Michelle stated that she is pleased with the morale.

### **Committee Reports:**

- Growth Committee- no updates
- Nonprofit Committee- Michelle- Sarah Morris is now a paid employee to help with raising funds. Plans to run the horseshoe drive again. Jamie Jackson is a new person to the committee and wants to volunteer her time to us to help with raising funds. She is going to be working on grant writing for us, such as: Athletics, playgrounds/school beautification, Agriculture, Performing Arts (possibly). Dr. Taylor added that she is so proud of Sarah and how she has transitioned into her new role. Hoping that next month she will be able to present to the board all her big ideas.



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• Charter Rewrite Committee- Susan stated that they have 3 groups split up. Everyone has met once at least and has their second meeting scheduled. Moving along and looking good.

## Secretary's Report:

• Approval of last meeting minutes- (1.18 and 1.25)- motion made to approve last month's meeting minutes, Michelle seconded, motion passed.

## Treasurer's Report:

• Financial Report- Pete presented the financial report and we are in the 40% range, which is good. Pete turned over to Dr. Taylor concerning the Federal Funding. We are still waiting on 600-700,000. ESSR II and ESSR III have all been approved. ESSR II was \$700,000 and it has been spent, we are waiting on the reimbursement. ESSR III has not been spent yet. Pete thanked Carol for all her attentiveness.

## Executive Director's Report:

- Monthly Fiscal Update- Given during Financial Report
- COVID Updates- Given during Vice Chair report
- Modular Rental Update- Found School, can't use same attorney, found another attorney, Riverwalk would like to take it for 36-40 months of our remaining 48 months and us pay the remaining months so we would not be liable for the lease, still all in negotiations, Dr. Taylor is to update us as it progresses.

### **Questions/Comments from Board Members:**

• Middle School Food Trucks and Lunch Options Discussion- Susan Groseclose-Susan wanted to know what was going on with Food Trucks or Vendors. What are the options for MS and HS? Committee made to discuss canteen/vendors/Food trucks. Most MS and HS don't preorder like they should. Most of the time our school is out of money. Financially it made no sense for the school. They formed a committee and surveyed some kids and they asked about food trucks. Reached out to food trucks and they found the two that are on campus for 3 weeks each. Food Trucks are a trial to see if this is a good fit. From a student perspective it appears if the students like it. After the 3 week trial the committee will come back together and readdress the issue. Not a board issue but wanted to let the board know. Dustin asked about a cafeteria- we have no plans on building a cafeteria due to space and facilities. We did sign up for food orders through Power School. Now they are working on training the team to get this up and going. Dr. Taylor agrees with the system problem and leadership, now we are in the building we are creating a process and systems. Our growth has out grown our systems at this time. Susan was happy to know that there is a different system coming down the pipeline.

### Executive Session:

• Contractual- Voting Item- Kevin made a motion to go into executive session, Michelle seconded, motion passed. Executive session started at 0638pm. Michelle motioned to end executive session, Jared seconded, Executive session ended at 0717.

#### **Open Session:**



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Kevin motioned to go back into public session, Michelle seconded, motion passed. Public session began at 0717.

Michelle made following motion: "I move that HCA terminate its charter with the Charter Institute at Erskine directly effective June 30, 2022, enter into a new charter with the Limestone Charter Association effective July 1, 2022, and authorize the HCA Board Chair to work with legal counsel to prepare and execute a letter notifying the Institute." If the HCA Board decides to proceed in this manner, we will be glad to draft letter to the Institute Board for review.", Jared seconded, all voted to pass motion except Dustin.

Kevin motioned to end meeting, Jared seconded, Motion passed. Meeting ended at 0719.