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HCA Board Meeting – 04.27.22 @ 6pm- HCA Commons

Kevin Murray, Chair- Present	Susan Groseclose, Member- Present	Dustin Ennis- Present
Michele Bulmer, Vice Chair- Present	Phyllis Smith, Member- Present	Jared Chambliss- Present
Ashley Pitts, Secretary- Present	Pete Frommer- Present	
Audrey Decker, Member- Present		

Meeting called to order -Called to order at 0601pm

- 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:

Committee Reports:

- Non-Profit Committee Report- None
- Growth Committee Report- None
- Charter Rewrite Committee Report- Moving along appropriately and on progress.

Secretary's Report:

- Approval of last meeting minutes- 3.22.22 and 3.24.22- Ashley made a motion to approve meeting minutes, Jared seconded, motion approved

Treasurer's Report:

- Monthly Fiscal Report- Pete stated that all is good and there is plenty money in the bank for the rest of the year.

Executive Director's Report:

- Updated Logo- Kevin does not approve of the new Logo, there are some concerns. Dr. Taylor said that Sarah should represent it. Kevin said that it wasn't professional enough for the school. Is this a Logo or a school seal? Possibility of getting different person involved for graphic designing.
- Athletic Handbook Amendment- Voting Item- Issues concerning when grades should be checked and how it was perceived. Our current handbook is not clear enough. Dr. Taylor investigated issue and brought solution to board to carry us the rest of the season. Dr. Taylor's suggestion is to have the AD or AD Liaison will notify teacher and coach to set up an academic planning meeting. Season is 3-4 more weeks. This change would be in effect until new AD gets on board in July 2022. Audrey asked what the original issue was? Dustin suggested that the AD should be the one making the forfeit call, need very specifically when grades are checked, what are the punishment for athletes if grades are not there. Dr. Taylor suggested that when new athletic handbook is presented to board. Michelle suggested that if grades do not start improving after 2 weeks and the student is not willing to make up missing work, there is a game suspension consequence. Michelle suggested that if grade is 59 or below there should be a game suspension until grade is up. Katie to double check grades and let us know how many players would be out for softball.
- 2022-2023 Budget- 2nd Reading- 1 teacher has decided to retire, 1 person entered in twice that needed to be cleaned up. Draft budget is on One Drive. EFA will be changing, and we should get more money per student. Jared stated that the header needs to be changed from "FY 2020" to "FY 2022". Phyllis asked about the sub column. HS Summer School is considered credit recovery to those students that are in danger of failing. Dr. Taylor mentioned about Summer Reading Program, Susan asked what the qualifications are for that program. Michelle asked if MS is under Elementary? Dr. Taylor stated yes that MS



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finances is under Elementary due to not having it's own category. Ashley asked about modular building. Dr. Taylor stated that it was going to cost \$200,000 to move and charge us a tear down fee. Also, we were going to have to back pay 10 months on it. Modular to stay for four more years and be used as Elementary of buildings. Michelle asked for a break down of salaries.

- Letter of Engagement from Elliot Davis- Dr. Taylor said that every year we have to do the outside accountant. Pete has to sign off on it. Letter and results of audit are in our One Drive.

Questions/Comments from Board Members:

Executive Session: Kevin made a motion to go into executive session 0636, Michelle seconded, motion passed. Executive session started at 0637. Michelle made motion to end executive session at 0714 , Phyllis seconded, motion passed.

- Contractual

Open Session:

Open session began at 0715. Kevin made a motion that HCA settle its claims related to the site drainage defects for \$7,500.00, and that the HCA Board authorize the Board Chair, on behalf of the Board and in consultation with legal counsel, to execute a settlement agreement and general release with Carolina Erosion Control and Grading and HBC. Audrey seconded, open for discussion, motion passed.

- Sotty Voigt (Direction of school and assistance he can possibly offer)- Given 5 minutes. Brought to board attention that per the by laws the board is responsible for everything concerning the board and the admin team is responsible for the day-to-day activities. Issue and concern of students accepting students that are being expelled from other schools. Concern is that students that are here from other schools are setting a bad example for the rest of the students. Son has brought it to his attention that these students are becoming toxic to culture of school. Board is ultimately responsible. Brought up that every board member has a choice to be on the board. Enjoyed having board discuss issues. Construction issues- There is a mess going on and needs to addressed. Choice to be on the board and it is not right for any administrator or teacher that you should never tell a parent or on social media that "this is a school of choice". Main issue is with the way parents are being addressed on social media. What happened to all the parents that used to come to the board meetings? Construction issues with the draining system?
- Michelle motioned to end meeting at 0727, Dustin seconded. Motion passed. Meeting ended at 0730.