

RIDGEVIEW CHARTER BOARD MINUTES

Date: Saturday, March 27, 2021

Time: 10:00 AM

Facilitator: Shezarrah Keane

In Attendance

Board members: Shezarrah Keane, Jennifer Stepp, Reshall Williams, and Colleen Samuels. Mikal Brown was unable to attend due to training obligation for his job.

Location

Ridgeview Charter School, 207 W. Bradley Ave., Gastonia, NC 28052

Meeting Called to Order: 10:18

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve by Mrs. Stepp, second by Mrs. Samuels, unanimous vote

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve by Mrs. Samuels, second by Mrs. Stepp, unanimous vote

Principal's Report

Mrs. Williams reported that the goal continues to be to maximize the use of the current school building for next school year. We will not pursue modular units at this time. We will still be able to accommodate grades K-6.

Marketing efforts continue. Mrs. Williams is still waiting to get clarification on size of road signs and pricing. After receiving the information, we will check on sign ordinance to make sure any signs comply. She is also looking into commercials on the radio again this year. She is thinking of running these ads on weekends during April and May. She will get back to the board with further information.

Mrs. Williams reported that the repairs were made to the kindergarten classroom and the class will be able to move back into their regular classroom for the remainder of the year, Repairs to the fence are also complete. Mrs. Williams was also able to purchase a 25 cubic feet refrigerator for the staff to use. The school needs to paint the halls and replace broken lights in the gym. Mrs. Williams will also look into the cost of cages to protect the lights so this isn't a recurring problem.

Mrs. Williams reported that she had started a new reading incentive program called the Principal's Reading Circle. Students can test into this program. They meet every Friday to discuss the book while sampling international snacks.

The Apple Blossom Festival will be an internal celebration this year instead of a community fundraising and marketing event due to Covid restrictions. The students will hold the celebration after lunch on April 29th.

Mrs. Williams reported she is in the process of interviewing EC teachers.

Mrs. Williams presented the Beginning Teacher Support Program she desires to implement for next year. This is designed to assist new teachers through mentorship from the principal, a BT coordinator, and experienced mentor teachers. The board voted unanimously to approve the plan. Motion by Mrs. Samuels, second by Mrs. Stepp.

Presidents Report

None

Old Business

Our attorney continues to work to terminate the contract with Urban Xpress and decrease the amount of payout. We will change the date of payments for the remainder of the year to avoid late fees. Alliance is assisting us in finding a new transportation company.

The lease meeting with the church went well. The new contract will be for a 2-year lease with a reasonable 5% increase. The church will now take care of landscaping. There is to be an annual cleaning by the school as part of the maintenance agreement. The church will use the building for Bible Study on Wednesday evenings. The completed contract will be presented for a board vote at next month's meeting.

Three HVAC need to be replaced and ceiling tiles needed to be repaired or replaced due to leaks. The church should take care of these repairs.

New Business

None

Comments and Announcements

None

Next Meeting

April 24, 2021 | 10:00 am | Ridgeview Charter School

Adjournment: 11:21

Motion by Ms. Stepp, Second by Mrs. Samuels, Unanimous vote