

Board Meeting
VASC 10/27/2020, 6:00pm
2407 Pisgah Road Florence, SC 29501

In attendance: Principal Brittany Hamilton, Dr. Thomas Ducey, Mr. Carlos Washington, Dr. Marie DeVincenzo, Mrs. Stacey Coleman, Mr. Don Strickland.

Meeting began at 6:07 pm

Dr. Ducey called the meeting to order and took the roll audibly. He welcomed everyone and read the mission.

The agenda was approved with no objection.

1st- Mr. Carlos Washington

2nd- Dr. Marie DeVincenzo

Oath of Office:

- Mr. Strickland introduces himself
- Mr. Strickland recants the oath as the new board member guided by Sherri Smithson
- Dr. Ducey dismisses Ms. Smithson, Washington welcomes Strickland

There were several members of the public in the audience but no public comments were made.

Minutes:

- Dr. Ducey: Changes made to minutes
- No objections made to the amended minutes
- Board unanimously approved the amended minutes.

Mrs. Kleine presented the budget report.

- Line 2 not updated
- Updated for academic assistance
- Mrs. Hamilton provided an explanation related to testing
- Net surplus is expected to increase
- Line 114 is due to the return of chromebooks
- Over budget line items: left over from previous months
- Removed CARES ACT (wanted to show as is until reimbursement, will not have to pay back)
- CIE is looking at budget to assist in using CRF/Title I funds in areas in which purchases have been made
- Line 126: potentially reimbursed through Title II

Interim Principal's Report:

1. Marketing and Diversity:
 - Fright Fest: a multitude of applications have been received for enrollment and employment
 - Enrollment has increased and now the focus has shifted to building the waitlist
 - Focus: Increasing diversity and student achievement
 - Ads have been placed (November 11, 25, 28)
 - Survey distributed shows huge interest in public transportation
 - Mr. Strickland explained that PDRTA is interested and excited about the possibility of supplying transportation for students and it is possible due to location and scheduling
 - Mrs. Hamilton stated she is looking for voucher programs for parents to assist in Vista Aftercare
2. Enrollment Report:
 - 2nd grade is at full capacity, only two vacancies are available but they are virtual
 - Brainstorming options to prevent overcrowding classrooms

- Hybrid approach similar to upper elementary may be feasible
 - 3rd/7th have spaces to be filled
 - Dr. Ducey inquired about the the Day 5 report (512) and Day 45 report (491)/Day 135 report is next
3. Title I:
- Receiving 49,000 more/ total: 122,500
 - Brainstorming community involvement opportunities
 - Marketing and Communication Specialist signed a new contract with different title (50% of salary covered)
 - Ms. Thomas relayed information regarding ParentSquare being covered/paid, website can't be used
 - 26 families attended Technology Night, Virtual attendance was low
 - 30 responses were received from the survey
 - Material is posted on the website under Title I
 - Provided dates for the upcoming events
 - Increased the money for the materials needed to \$500
4. COVID Report
- No new cases, a push with staff has been completed to continue social distancing protocol
 - Received a memo regarding the possibility of schools administering the rapid test in house
 - Meeting on December 2 with Nurse Lee
5. CRF Report:
- Identified items money has been spent on, awaiting reimbursement
 - Expenditures list (PPE, technology, supplemental instruction)
 - New counselor position
 - Expressed issue with space
 - Position has been posted

Dr. Ducey discussed adding committees to the board to address the building of the highschool and vacancies on the board. Governance committee needed to look for candidates. He suggested an attorney would be great for guidance, a businessman, and/or educator.

Dr. Ducey motioned to approve the formation of committees.

1st: Mr. Washington

2nd: Dr. DeVincenzo

Unanimously approved

Chair of the Building Committee - Mr. Washington

Chair of the Governance Committee - Mr. Strickland

At least 3 per committee

Mr. Washington inquired about the Angel Tree

Dr. Ducey motioned to move into Executive Session

1st - Mr. Washington

2nd - Dr. DeVincenzo

Dismissal for executive session

Out of executive session:

1st - Mr. Washington

2nd - Dr. DeVincenzo

Dr. Ducey will communicate with the board about the next steps in financial advisement

Dr. Ducey asked for a board member to make the motion to dismiss the meeting.

Mr. Washington made the motion to adjourn.

Dr. DeVincenzo made the second motion.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:51 pm