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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

February 26, 2014

Attendance:

	2013					2014					
	8/15	9/12	10/10	11/14	12/12	1/9	2/26	3/13	4/10	5/8	6/12
Scott Elliott			X	X	X		X				
Dr. Charles Hutchison		X	X	X		X	X				
Sam Leder		X		X	X	X	X				
Tom Anderson		X	X	X	X	X	X				
Curtis Ifill		X	X	X		X	X				
Jeff Mann			X	X		X					
Melissa Cooler											
Mystica Nelmes		X	X	X							
Donna Harkey		X	X	X	X	X	X				
Sally Reynolds		X	X	X	X	X	X				
Abby Bottoms		X	X	X	X	X	X				
Sarah Poling		X	X		X		X				
PTSO		X	X		X	X	X				

Call to Order: 6:35 by Scott Elliott

CIS Mission Statement

Sarah Poling

Capital Campaign Committee

Tom Anderson

Rashonda Burkett is the new chair for the capital campaign committee.

Construction Committee

Tom Anderson

Tom provided an update on the construction project.

Committee Reports

Secretaries Report

Abby Bottoms

Reviewed minutes from the meeting on January 2014. Tom Anderson made a motion to accept the minutes with the noted changes. Sam seconded. Motion passed.

Finance Report

Sam Leder and Abby Bottoms

Reviewed the reports provided by LB&A. Sam Leder made a motion to pay off the \$100,000 LOC balance outstanding with Wells Fargo. Tom Anderson seconded. Motion passed.

Academic Report

Donna Harkey, Elementary School Principal and Sally Reynolds, Secondary School Principal

Donna Harkey and Sally Reynolds provided an overview of academics including the following points:

- 11 Australian visiting teachers enjoyed our campus and sharing with our elementary students
- Spelling Bee was held at Metrolina Scholars Academy
- BTSP peer review was completed with DPI consultant, Karol McNeil Horton
- 4th grade field trip to Children's Theater
- K field trip to Children's Theater, travel to downtown via rail CATS and then picnic at Reedy Creek
- Conducted 4 Open Houses during February -We divided attendees into elementary and secondary groups in an effort to target specific needs of each. community is extremely excited about our new school
- Jennifer Jenkins worked with our elementary teachers to share problem solving techniques with the Power School grade book.
- Mentors and Mentee met together as a group and Sylvia Scott shared interesting advice for our group.

- New Leaders of Charlotte would like to develop a consortium of Charter Schools to train a group of emerging leaders for future administrative or other lead positions.
- Headmaster 's conference of the Charter School Association, hosted by Eddie Goodall, was attended by our very own Abby Bottoms.

PTSO Report

Rashonda Burkett

The PTSO provided an over of the following points:

- The silent auction raised over \$8,000 in profit
- The family dance had a lot of participation
- The talent show will be held March 7th.
- The fun run will be held May 9th.
- Ms. Black won the parking spot raffle for the month of March

Staff Report

Sarah Poling

Kindergarten – Mrs. Hopkins' class had so much fun celebrating the 100th day of school! We practiced counting to 10 in 10 different languages! We even had some of the students and teachers at our school who speak different languages come and teach us how to count in their language. Mrs. Hopkins even taught us how to count to 10 in Mandinka, the language she learned how to speak when she was in the Peace Corps in Africa! We did so many fun math activities on this special day!

1st Grade – We are working on persuasive writing. Students are using their persuasive letters to ask for donations, for their service project, at the orphanage.

2nd Grade – We just finished our Sound Unit with students completing differentiated tic-tac-toe projects. We are getting very excited about our upcoming field trip to the Children's Theatre of Charlotte which will kick off our huge traditional literature unit.

5th Grade – We are building government trees and sending secret compliment messages on Friday as part of a traditional Mexican tradition on Valentine's Day.

Spanish – 8th, 9th and 10th graders have been working on their Spanish digital portfolios. Through the digital portfolios students are using their creativity by means of organizing and sharing artifacts (pieces of oral work and written work.) They have been encouraged to keep track of the class goals and also their personal goals, in order for them to carry out a reflective process about their Spanish learning process during the school year. The main objective is for students to understand that learning a language is a process that requires personal commitment not only in the classroom but in everyday situations. As part of this project, students will be asked to interview native speakers, document the process, and of course have fun while doing this!

Old Business: - none

New Business – A local group has approached the board about the possibility of offering lacrosse at the new school. The group is putting together a proposal for the board to review.

Open Comments:

Jasmine Hines commented on the following topics: the smooth transition in leadership, concerned about not having a finish date for the new campus, concerned about the testing/assessments in 3rd grade, CPCC works with the publishing company that provided Power School and they have similar frustrations, as an afterschool parent she finds great value in the program and hopes we continue it at the new campus.

Tom Anderson made a motion to go into closed session. Curtis Ifill seconded. Motion passed

Closed Session at 8:05 pm

Open Session 9:25 pm

Tom Anderson made a motion to renew the Mod Space leases for 3 months. Sam Leder seconded. Motion passed.

Curtis Ifill made a motion to adjourn. Sam Leder seconded. Motion passed.

Adjournment 9:27 pm

As Board Chair, I certify that these minutes have been reviewed and approved as they appear above.

Signature

Date