

Wayne Preparatory Academy
Board of Directors Meeting
March 15, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.

I. OPENING

A. Welcome and Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 5:38 by Chairman Amanda Wells. Those present included board members Charles Gaylor, Jessica Wolfe, and Amanda Wells. Staff present included Natalie Barber and John Twitty. Board Attorney Glenn Barfield was also present. Representatives from Jackson Builders were also in attendance.

B. Notification of Conflicts of Interest

Board members are reminded that it is our duty to avoid conflicts of interest and the appearance of conflicts of interest as we handle the work of the Board. Does any member of the Board know of any conflict of interest or any appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before us at this meeting? If so, please state them for the record. If during the course of the meeting you become aware of an actual or apparent conflict of interest, please bring the matter to the attention of the Chair. It will then be your duty to abstain from participating in discussion on the matter and from voting on the matter.

- Read by Charles Gaylor. No conflicts were presented.

C. Motion to approve the Agenda as Business Order of the Day

- Chair Wells opened the floor for conversation about the Agenda and added a discussion of ESSER funding to occur under the Finance portion of the agenda.
- A motion was made by Jessica Wolfe and second by Charles Gaylor. There was no discussion on the matter. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Approval of Minutes

- No minutes were presented for consideration at this time.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Parent Concerns

- a. A discussion occurred regarding two contiguous matters: 1) expressed parental concerns over faculty retention and the resulting lack of continuity in the classroom, and 2) former faculty concern about relationships within the administration. There was no formal action or directive issued that would result in a motion.

III. ACADEMICS

A. Lottery Update

- a. A discussion on the school's progress in the student lottery occurred. As of today, we have 246 applications, leaving us with 400 spots left available.
- b. Some of these applicants will not be admitted because they are not evenly distributed amongst the grades. Current enrollment is 885, capacity is effectively 1200. Lottery closes April 4, 2022, with drawing on the 11th.
- c. Administration is planning an open house as a component of its marketing and outreach efforts. Details will be released as they become available.

IV. FINANCE

A. Account update

- a. Updates were provided by administration related to the operating account and the organization's requirements to possibly change accounts due to landlord requirements.

B. Email from DPI on ESSER funds.

- a. The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction emailed requesting various points of information related to the planned usage of ESSER funds. WPA administration is able to provide all requested documentation.
- b. A motion was made by Jessica Wolfe and seconded by Charles Gaylor to approve John Twitty as official designee for any correspondence with DPI regarding compliance with ESSER Funds. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- a. No old business was presented for consideration at this time.

VI. OPERATIONS

A. High School Construction Update

- a. Representatives from Jackson Builders were present to discuss the current progress on the construction of our high school building. The discussion also included the use of contingency funds and any other pertinent specific points of expense.

B. Monthly Mask Mandate Discussion per North Carolina Session Law 2021-130

- a. Amanda Wells opened the discussion noting that administration's recommendation is to keep masks optional at this time.
- b. A motion was made by Jessica Wolfe and seconded by Charles Gaylor to keep masks optional at this time. There was no further discussion on the motion presented. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. CLOSED SESSION

- A. A motion was made by Charles Gaylor and seconded by Jessica Wolfe to go into Closed Session to discuss matters that are privileged and confidential under state or federal law, to discuss matters that are protected under attorney-client privilege, and to discuss personnel matters. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Any motions to be heard resulting from Closed Session

- A. There are no motions to be considered as a result of the Closed Session.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Next meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2022 at 5:30pm
- B. A motion was made by Jessica Wolfe and seconded by Charles Gaylor to Adjourn. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by Charles Gaylor, Board Secretary.