

Academy of Moore County Board of Directors Meeting October 19, 2022

Board Members Present: Janet Lowry, Chair; Michael Holden, Treasurer; Dee Park Busby, Secretary; Bill Scholtes; Dale Buie. **Zoom:** Thomas Beddow, Adrienne Collins, Dave Kaylor **Others Present:** Crystal Bonville.

Chair Lowry called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm. After a moment of silence, Mr. Scholtes led the pledge of allegiance. A quorum was present.

Secretary: Mrs. Busby made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 21st meeting; Mrs. Collins seconded; approved.

Treasurer: Mr. Holden reviewed the September financials. The school has about 1.5 million available cash. Mrs. Busby made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Mrs. Collins, approved.

Director of Education: Dr. Buie reported children in grades K, 1, and 3 are going to the pumpkin patch.. Grade five students will go to the Art Museum in Raleigh.

Grades 3-5 took NC Check In Tests as benchmarks to help teachers identify weaknesses. The Book Fair is being held October 17-21 and the Fall Festival on the 21st. Purse Bingo will be held on November 5. The school will celebrate Veterans' Day on November 10th. Board Member are invited.

Mrs. Bonville is working with the Steven A. Cohen Military Family clinics at Centerstone in Fayetteville-on a Military Kids Club using materials they provide and a clinician. k-1, 2-3 and 4-5 to begin January 9th

Old Business: Strategic Plan: After limited discussion, Mr. Scholtes made a motion to approve the Strategic Plan, seconded by Mr. Holden, approved.

Safety Committee: Mr. Beddow is working on plans for the new playground for K-2. Quotes for equipment have not been received but Mr. Beddow, Dr. Buie, Dr. Lowry, PTO President Christina Manfra and Vice President Jennifer Locke met with representatives of the company being considered. The Safety Committee has scheduled an announced lock down for December 2.

Investment Recommendations: Mr. Beddow and the Finance Committee are working on a recommendation for investing some of the school's funds using information provided by the State Treasurer, Dale Falwell.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Wednesday December 14, at 3:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Dee Park Busby, Secretary

Academy of Moore County Board of Directors Meeting November 16, 2022

Board Members Present: Janet Lowry, Chair; Adrienne Collins, Vice Chair; Thomas Beddow; Dave Kaylor; Bill Scholtes; Dale Buie; **Board Members Absent:** Michael Holden, Dee Park Busby, **Others Present:** Natalie Wetzelberger.

Chair Lowry called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm. After a moment of silence, Mr. Beddow led the pledge of allegiance. A quorum was present. Mrs. Lowry welcomed Mrs. Wetzelberger who has children at TAMC in grades 1,3, and 5.

In the secretary's absence, Mr. Beddow made a motion to approve the minutes of August 17, seconded by Mr. Kaylor, approved. Since not all board members received the October 19th minutes prior to this meeting, they will be considered at the December meeting.

In the treasurer's absence the board did not review the financials which were received by the school today.

Director of Education: Dr. Buie reported that the PTO's Purse Bingo was a great success with a super turnout. Their gross income is about \$63,000 with a possible net of \$46,000. Dr. Buie was asked recently by Ashley Baquero, the Director of Charter Schools, to make a presentation to the NC State Board of Education at their recent meeting at UNC Pembroke concerning charter school growth and achievement. The State Board is comparing these and other factors with traditional public school units. Ms. Fox, second grade teacher who has taught at TAMC for a number of years, participated in the presentation. STARS was also represented.

Dr. Buie reviewed the proposed school calendar for the 2023-2024 school year. Mr. Beddow made a motion to approve the calendar, Mrs. Collins seconded, unanimously approved. Letters of intent for next year have been sent home.

Dr. Buie complimented Mrs. Bonville on the outstanding Veterans' Day celebration last week where over 300 people participated. After lunch with their children, the families enjoyed the school parade led by a World War II veteran in the school's golf cart driven by Mr. Locklear. Mrs. Lowry thanked Mr. Beddow for the many volunteers he recruited to cook and serve hotdogs, hamburgers, etc. He said they want to come back next year.

Old Business: Mr. Beddow introduced Bill and Sandy Terryberry who had come into the meeting. They represent Tax Incentive Agency of San Antonio and San Diego. They explained the Employee Retention Tax Credit and the process for applying for it which could result in funding for the school, in which case they would be paid 15% of what the school receives. Applications must be filed by June 2023. Later in the meeting, after they had left, Mr. Scholtes made a motion to engage the Terryberrys to determine if we qualify; Mr. Beddow seconded; motion approved.

K-2 playground: At Mr. Beddow's request, Dr. Buie met with teachers of grades K-2 to see which playground equipment they might prefer for our children. The teachers recommend that two swing sets of four swings each would be a desirable start. They like other pieces

as well, but they would not select those that go too high for little children to fall without breaking bones. The equipment available through Cunningham Recreation is expensive. Mr. Beddow is seeking another company's bid.

Investment Recommendations: The Board agrees that investing some of the school's funds would be wise, but in the treasurer's absence Mr. Beddow did not proceed with a recommendation. He will try to arrange a zoom meeting for Friday, November 18 or Monday the 21st with himself, Mr. Holden, Mr. Scholtes, Mr. Kaylor, Mrs. Lowry and a representative from the State Treasurer's office to get more information.

The Board has three potential candidates for parent representatives on the Board. They met Mrs. Wetzelberger today and have received and reviewed Mr. Mallard's resume. They will be voted on in December. Mrs. Collins will verify that the third parent is still willing to serve in this way.

Mr. Scholtes made a motion to adjourn and go into a closed session to discuss a personnel issue; Mr. Beddow seconded; approved. After about ten minutes, the board returned to open session and adjourned with no further business.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Wednesday December 14, at 3:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Janet B. Lowry

Academy of Moore County Board of Directors

Specially Called Meeting December 9, 2022

Board Members Present: Janet Lowry, Chair; , Dee Park Busby, Secretary; Thomas Beddow; Dave Kaylor; Bill Scholtes; Dale Buie; **Board Members Absent:** Adrienne Collins, Michael Holden **Others Present:** Bill Van O'Linda, attorney; Crystal Bonville

Chair Lowry called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm. A quorum was present.

Mrs. Busby made a motion to close the Open Meeting to meet with our attorney about a confidential matter. Mr. Scholtes seconded the motion, approved.

At 1:45 the open meeting was resumed. No business was conducted. Mr. Scholtes made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Kaylor seconded, approved.

Respectfully Submitted,



Janet B. Lowry, Chair