

Academy of Moore County Board of Directors Meeting May 18, 2022

Board Members Present at TAMC: David Nordloh, Chair; Rebecca Wood, Vice Chair; Jim Busby; Michael Holden; Janet Lowry; Dee Park; Bill Scholtes; Allyson Schoen. **Participating by Zoom** Adrienne Collins. **Absent:** None. **Others at TAMC:** Crystal Bonville, Richard Schoen.

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

Secretary: Mrs. Lowry made a motion to approve the minutes of April 20, seconded by Mrs. Park, approved.

Mrs. Lowry reviewed the purpose and activity of the NC Coalition of Charter Schools and made a motion to approve payment of their invoice at \$10/ child enrolled. Mr. Busby seconded the motion which was approved.

Treasurer: Mr. Busby reviewed the April 30 financials. TAMC has \$1,206,599.70 cash available. Mr. Holden reported that the 2022-23 budget planning meeting with Acadia was informative: the people who manage our finances seem to know what they are doing and explained many line item entries to the group. Mr. Nordloh is required to sign the budget by June 30th but he indicated that he would prefer to wait until the proposed salary information is updated. Updated ADM allotment figures might be available before the deadline and provide a clearer sense of the year ahead.

Director of Education: Mrs. Lowry presented salary recommendations that she and Mrs. Schoen had developed and that the Compensation Committee (Mr. Busby, Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Lowry) had considered in advance. Although the board is committed to paying teachers according to the state's salary schedule, that schedule is not available for 2022-2023. Mrs. Lowry made a motion to accept the Committee's recommended salaries (attached). Mrs. Wood seconded. After discussion of concerns about maintaining a balanced budget, the motion passed with Mrs. Wood voting "No".

Mrs. Schoen identified important upcoming events. End of grade tests are to be conducted this week. The Memorial Day Concert is May 24th. The end of the year party for staff and board will be at the Fair Barn on May 27th from 6 – 11 pm. Summer school will be held June 6-17.

Addressing the requirement that the Board vote on the masking policy every month, Mrs. Lowry made a motion to continue making the wearing of masks optional during the school day, before and after school and on the buses; Mr. Scholtes seconded the motion, approved.

Classroom Expansion Update: The Board agreed to table consideration of expansion.

Mr. Nordloh asked Mr. Scholtes and Mrs. Park to serve with him to hear the Wigginton grievance, and they agreed.

Safety and Security: Mrs. Collins reported that the Master Plan has been updated. She is pleased with the Safety team. Representatives of Aberdeen fire and police have agreed to conduct safety scans in July and January. Mr. Schoen reported that he has included in the planning budget the cost of running conduit for getting better reception to the speaker on the soccer field. It was recommended that the school obtain a NOAA Weather Radio in the office for emergencies during inclement weather, loss of power and/or loss of wireless connection. We also need to soften the gaga pit. Mrs. Schoen suggested the board might want to consider installing alarms in the buildings.

Mr. Nordloh removed the School Violence Prevention Program from the agenda saying it was not practical for TAMC to consider this program.

Strategic Plan: Mr. Nordloh has worked on suggestions for the strategic plan. He will send his document to the board for members to rank priorities and timeline for improvements.

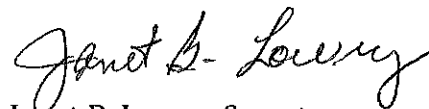
Board Elections: Mr. Nordloh said that following our ByLaws, the board could nominate candidates today to be elected next month. The board must have 1 to 3 parents and 4-8 community members. Officers will also be selected next month.

New Business:

Board Nominations: Mrs. Lowry nominated Dee Park for a second term, Mrs. Wood seconded. Mr. Nordloh nominated Dave Kaylor to fill the one-year term vacated by Mrs. Summey; Mrs. Lowry seconded. Mrs. Lowry nominated Joyce Ray for a three-year term, Mrs. Collins seconded. Mr. Scholtes nominated Tom Beddow for a three-year term; seconded by Mr. Nordloh.

At 5:15 Mr. Busby made a motion to adjourn, Mrs. Park seconded, approved. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Wednesday June 15, at 3:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Janet B. Lowry, Secretary