

HELEN THACKSTON CHARTER SCHOOL
MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES
Tuesday, April 28, 2015
“Our Schools, One Team, One Vision”

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Helen Thackston Charter School Board of Trustees convened at Helen Thackston Charter School on April 28, 2015. Ms. Danyiell Newman, Board President called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2.0 ROLL CALL/ATTENDEES

The following individuals were in attendance: Board Members: Danyiell Newman, Frank Hawkins, Paulette Hawkins, Paula March, Gregory Ford.

Absent: Dorothy Sweeney was excused due to health reasons, Michael Mehosky due to personal reasons.

Administrators: Sherry Roland-Washington, Denise Butts, Max Pierre-Louis, Oscar Rossum, Sr., Rosalind Brooks.

Solicitor: Gregory Monskie, Niles Benn

Consultant: Kenneth Medina

Staff: Wendell Harper, Anne Clark, Tynisha Wilkes, Rita Jimenez

3.0 RECONGNITION OF GUESTS

Lisa Kennedy, HTCS Ambassadors: Jasmin Jimenez, Maleek McClaurin, Trayvaun Landis, Karenise Pineda, Ajianna Coleman, Angelina Solivan. Senior Presentation: Cierra Jiles, Breanna Hughes.

4.0 PUBLIC/STAFF COMMENTS

HTCS Ambassadors presented Patriot Problem Solving Cart (see attached)

Class of 2016 Senior’s presented a calendar of events (see attached)

Ms. Clark presented on Homeland Security (see attached)

5.0 APPROVAL

1. Be it resolved to approve the minutes from March 26, 2015. A motion was made by Paulette Hawkins and seconded by Frank Hawkins, and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. Be it resolved to terminate J. Vega, effective March 31, 2015. A motion was made by Gregory Ford and seconded Paula March, and unanimously approved by the Board.
3. Be it resolved to accept the resignation of A. Klugh, 8th Grade Science Teacher, effective April 10, 2105. A motion was made by Paulette Hawkins and seconded by Paula March, and unanimously approved by the Board.
4. Be it resolved to transfer S. Parker from a day to day substitute to a first year salary Biology/Chemistry teacher.
Discussion: Day to day substitutes are emergency certified and the contract will only be given to the end of the school year. Mrs. Roland placed an advertisement and it is still posted to hire for positions. Motion was made to withdraw resolution by Gregory Ford and seconded by Paula March.
5. Be it resolved to hire S. Parker as a temporary employee with a first year salary for the remainder of the school year. A motion was made by Gregory Ford and seconded by Paula March, and unanimously approved by the Board.
6. Be it resolved to hire B. Hopkins as a temporary employee with a first year salary for the remainder of the school year.
Discussion: Mr. Ford questioned if Ms. Hopkins is a good fit for the school. A motion was made by Frank Hawkins and seconded by Paula March, and unanimously approved by the Board.
7. Be it resolved to hire C. Barnes as a temporary employee with a first year salary for the remainder of the school year. A motion was made by Frank Hawkins and seconded by Paula March, and unanimously approved by the Board.
8. Be it resolved to authorize a contract for the Homeland Security Jr. Police Academy in collaboration with York City Police. The cost to participate will be

funded from Title 1 grant and not to exceed \$1,500 plus transportation, with the final approve contract with the solicitor and the York City Police Department. A motion was made by Frank Hawkins and seconded by Paula March. Discussion: Funds are in the grant to cover the cost. This is for 9th grade students to participate. Cost for transportation, the awards, and t-shirts. Program starts May 5th to June 2nd. Board voted to approve; Danyiell Newman abstained.

9. Be it resolved to accept the recommendation for expulsion of student #932000258 effective April 30, 2015. A motion was made by Paulette Hawkins and seconded by Paula March, and unanimously approved by the Board.
10. Be it resolved to have a Catapult employee removed from the contract which is a \$10,000.00 credit for the school, with Dr. Weston filling in for that position. A motion was made by Frank Hawkins and seconded by Paulette Hawkins, and unanimously approved by the Board.
11. Be it resolved to approve the contract renewal with Whitson's Food Service for the 2015-2016 school year. Item was tabled to rewrite the contract to separate the schools.
Item #9 was rescinded.
12. Be it resolved to accept the recommendation for expulsion of student #932000258 effective March 30, 2015. A motion was made by Paulette Hawkins and seconded by Paula March, and unanimously approved by the Board.

6.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS

The 2015-2016 Budget is still being worked on and information is still being processed. The May board meeting will need to be changed to the 21st to get the budget approved by the end of June. School calendar was presented and reviewed, the board will formally vote on the calendar on May 21st. Staff contracts were presented with changes being noted that paragraph #3 has changed. Policies need to be added to the Charter Board Policies/Procedures regarding pays and paid time off. Three contracts will be made.

13. Be it resolved to approve the contract as presented with the amendments made by attorneys. A motion was made by Danyiell Newman and seconded by Paulette Hawkins, and unanimously approved by the Board.

7.0 OLD BUSINESS

None

8.0 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs. Roland's reported is attached, no questions were asked.

9.0 FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Pierre reviewed the financial payments, Rabbit Transit originally was only one to provide services for West End students. A meeting is scheduled with the company on Thursday to review pricing.

14. Be it resolved to approve the Budget Report as presented with the line of credit payment of \$15,000.00 and rent held until May 21st. A motion was made by Paulette Hawkins and seconded by Paula March, and unanimously approved by the Board.

10.0 CATAPULT LEARNING

Catapult report is attached, no questions were asked.

11.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Mr. Rossum's report is attached. Job descriptions not completed, they need to be formatted and matched to specific employee's positions.

12.0 SOLICITOR REPORT

None.

- 13.0 Motion was made by Frank Hawkins and seconded by Paula March, and unanimously approved by the Board to go into Executive Session at 8:36 PM to discuss personnel and real estate. Motion was made by Frank Hawkins and seconded by Paula March, and unanimously approved by the Board at 8:56 PM to return to public meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the public meeting was adjourned at 8:58 PM. Motion approved by the board.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann M. Brown
Helen Thackston Charter School Board Secretary