

HELEN THACKSTON CHARTER SCHOOL
MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES
Monday, November 25, 2013
“Our Schools, One Team, One Vision”

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

A Meeting of the Thackston Charter School Board of Trustees convened at Thackston Charter School on November 25, 2013. Mr. Michael Mehosky, Board President called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2.0 ROLL CALL/ATTENDEES

The following individuals were in attendance: Board Members: Michael Mehosky, Dorothy Sweeney, Frank Hawkins, Danyiell Newman. Student Board Member Herman McElveen.

Administrators: Khaleel Desaque, Denise Butts, Max Pierre-Louis, Chivonne Shockley-Moore, Gary Hollenbaugh, Daniel Fennick, Rosalind Brooks.

Staff: Stephani Brown, Patricia Maher, Nick Snider, Neil Groft, Kelly O’Shea.

Guest: Judy Groft, Barry Groft, Mike Smith

3.0 PUBLIC/STAFF COMMENT

Mr. Neil Groft appealed to the board that he signed up for graduate classes under the “old assumption” that he would be paid for the total cost and that he never had to sign a waiver that would hold him to his employment with the school for one year. The board talked with Mr. Groft and agreed to pay the whole amount but he needed to sign the waiver for this course work.

Mr. Michael Smith, Guardian Angels made a presentation to the board to offer their services to the school at the bus transfer station. The board decided to table the discussion until they could research the program.

4.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Be it resolved to approve the minutes from November 6, 2013. Motion approved by Danyiell Newman seconded by Dorothy Sweeney. Approved unanimously by the board.

5.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Administrative Team – Mr. Desaque reviewed the resignation and the positions that have been filled and shared that he is still looking into the open positions. Mr. Desaque reviewed enrolment and discipline reports. Mr. Desaque reported on the first school and how that went and student board member Herman McElveen shared ideas that would help bring more students in which included a video game room and the fee of \$5.00 is not too high. Ms. Shockley-Moore shared her ideas for the month of December for Community Outreach Program which includes Salvation Army toy drive, creating Holiday Cards for the Senior Centers and Partnership with Living Word.
2. Budget – No Report was given.
3. Edison Learning – Ms. Brooks shared that Dr. Weston held Mr. Desaque Q1 Principal Performance Review, conducted review of Q1 Implementation Plan progress; finalized plan for Q2. Outlined a leadership work plan for the month of December. Dr. Weston assisted Ms. Butts and Ms. O’Shea during profession development sessions for teachers.
4. HTPAC – No Report was given.
5. Solicitor Report – Attorney Fennick reviewed the recommendations made by the Discipline Committee on the students listed below for resolutions.

6.0 OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Ford wanted to know about the policy we have in place for tattoos and piercing’s of staff members. The policy will be pulled and looked at next meeting.

7.0 NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Hawkins addressed the issues of no activities for the students to do during the lunch (i.e. recess) when the cafeteria is being used. He addressed that students need to have a break and release some energy.

8.0 RESOLUTIONS TO BE ADOPTED

1. Be it resolved to accept the recommendation of the Discipline Committee on student #932000560. Motion approved by Danyiell Newman seconded by Dorothy Sweeney. Approved unanimously by the board.
2. Be it resolved to accept the recommendation of the Discipline Committee on student #932000412. Motion approved by Danyiell Newman seconded by Dorothy Sweeney. Approved unanimously by the board.
3. Be it resolved to accept the recommendation of the Discipline Committee on student #932000512. Motion approved by Danyiell Newman seconded by Dorothy Sweeney. Approved unanimously by the board.
4. Be it resolved to accept the recommendation of the Discipline Committee on student #932000638. Motion approved by Danyiell Newman seconded by Dorothy Sweeney. Approved unanimously by the board.
5. Be it resolved to accept the recommendation of the Discipline Committee on student #932000983. Motion approved by Danyiell Newman seconded by Dorothy Sweeney. Approved unanimously by the board.
6. Be it resolved to accept the resignation of Seth McNally, Full Time Teacher effective November 11, 2013. Motion approved by Frank Hawkins seconded by Danyiell Newman. Approved unanimously by the board.
7. Be it resolved to hire Patricia Maher, PT Hall Monitor effective November 12, 2013. Motion approved by Frank Hawkins seconded by Danyiell Newman. Approved unanimously by the board.
8. Be it resolved to hire Harold Miller, Maurice Myers and Angelo Colon as FT Hall Monitors effective November 2, 2013. Motion approved by Frank Hawkins seconded by Danyiell Newman. Approved unanimously by the board.
9. Be it resolved to hire Zobeida Brito, Kevin Kearse, Luis Sotomayor and Kyree Beard as PT Cafeteria Monitors effective November 12, 2013. Motion approved by Frank Hawkins seconded by Danyiell Newman. Approved unanimously by the board.
10. Be it resolved to hire Stephani Brown as Youth Development Specialist effective November 25, 2013. Motion approved by Frank Hawkins seconded by Danyiell Newman. Approved unanimously by the board.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the public meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

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