



Treasure Coast Classical Academy (TCCA)

Minutes for Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

1400 SE Cove Rd, Stuart, FL 34997

December 15, 2020 at 10:30AM

Due to COVID-19, meeting held with attendance option via Communications Media Technology (CMT)

MINUTES

Members in Attendance

- Laura Pate
- Joseph Featherstone
- Joan Hoffpauir – via CMT
- Brandon Tucker

School Personnel in Attendance

- Janine Swearingin, Principal
- Erika Donalds, Executive Director
- Liz Estes, School Operations Manager

Members Absent

1. Meeting called to order at 10:33 A.M.
2. Attendance taken.
3. Motion to approve board meeting minutes of 8/19/20, 9/30/20, and 10/8/20 made by Brandon Tucker.
 - A. Seconded by Laura Pate.
 - B. Vote: unanimous.
4. Motion to accept the **Treasurer's Report** as presented by Mr. Tucker made by Laura Pate.
 - A. Seconded by Joan Hoffpauir.
 - B. Vote: unanimous.
5. **Principal's Report:** Ms. Swearingin reviewed attendance rates and interventions to be used to address any excessive absenteeism. 97% of students have been retained since August, and 90% of faculty have been retained. Baseline student performance data was reviewed; results are consistent with those in the district. Ms. Swearingin outlined the academic interventions to address areas of need, and updated the board on teacher professional development.
6. **School Operation Manager's Report:** Ms. Estes reviewed busing plan, after school activities, and fundraising
7. **Executive Director's Report:** Mrs. Donalds provided an extensive report on the school's evaluation of the virtual attendance option, including results of parent survey. Martin County School District offers four virtual learning options for students. Many resources were committed to the first semester of online school. All Florida BCSI schools have elected to discontinue virtual option.
8. **Community Comments**
 - a. Gustavo Fernandez: would school to consider virtual program.
 - b. Elina Strestha: daughter has done very well at TCCA, but due to health issues of family member, they would like school to have a virtual option.
 - c. Nancy Johnson: would have liked more information in advance; daughter's health issues make in person school difficult.
 - d. Mrs. Gustavo Fernandez: very happy with education at the school, but does not want virtual to end.
 - e. Ernie Marks: family received the survey, but feels they didn't have a choice. Believes the data is biased.
 - f. Christine Acevedo: has had an amazing experience in 4th grade virtual school; feels COVID-19 situation will be more dangerous after the holidays.

- g. Rachel Perez: if administration is capable of opening a school, they should be able to operate a virtual program.
- h. Leann Fries: pleased to see teachers at student's dance performance.
- i. Eileen Kerr: asked questions about i-Ready program and FSAs.
- j. Krista Kidd: shared thoughts on success and having a vision.

9. **New Business** [Mrs. Donalds requested to add an item under New Business to address a teacher certification request. Motion to approve made by Brandon Tucker, seconded by Laura Pate, unanimous vote.

- A. Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Resolution: motion to approve as presented made by Brandon Tucker.
 - i. Seconded by Laura Pate.
 - ii. Vote: unanimous.
- B. Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Amendment: motion to approve as presented made by Brandon Tucker.
 - i. Seconded by Joan Hoffpauir.
 - ii. Vote: unanimous.
- C. 20-21 Teacher Salary Increase Allocation Plan: motion to approve as presented made by Joan Hoffpauir.
 - i. Seconded by Laura Pate.
 - ii. Vote: unanimous.
- D. 21-22 Academic Calendar: motion to approve as presented made by Laura Pate.
 - i. Seconded by Brandon Tucker.
 - ii. Vote: unanimous.
- E. Mrs. Donalds explained the request by a TCCA teacher for board approval of request for extension of time to seek certification. Motion to grant board chairman permission to sign letter from teacher made by Joan Hoffpauir.
 - i. Seconded by Laura Pate.
 - ii. Vote: unanimous.

10. **Policy Updates**

- A. Motion to approve 2100 Admission of Students [Registration] made by Laura Pate.
 - i. Seconded by Joan Hoffpauir.
 - ii. Vote: unanimous.
- B. Motion to approve 5700 School Record Policies made by Laura Pate.
 - i. Seconded by Brandon Tucker.
 - ii. Vote: unanimous.
- C. Motion to approve the Active Assailant Plan made by Laura Pate.
 - i. Seconded by Joan Hoffpauir.
 - ii. Vote: unanimous.

11. **Good of the Order** – Ms. Pate commented that it was apparent how much the administration cares about the students and the school- we are very grateful.

12. **Announcements** – Next board meeting is February 16, 2021.

13. **Board Comments**- Mr. Tucker shared holiday greetings.

14. **Meeting adjourned** at 12:58 P.M.