

February 6, 2024: Falls Lake Academy- Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

<u>Meeting Date:</u> February 6, 2024	Action	Person	Notes:
<u>Reading of Mission Statement</u> Falls Lake Academy seeks to create a challenging learning environment while striving to meet the academic, social, and emotional needs of our 21st century learners to prepare them for citizenship, leadership, and success in a rapidly changing world. Our school promotes a safe, orderly, caring and supportive community. Each student's self-esteem is fostered by positive relationships with students and staff. We strive to have our parents, teachers, and community members actively involved in our student's learning.	Read the mission statement once the meeting is called to order.	T. Brooks	Meeting called to order at 6:30pm
<u>Citizen Input Statement</u> Persons wishing to address the Board may do so at this time upon recognition from the President. Please state your name, community or organization you represent, and the topic you wish to share with the Board. You will be given 3 minutes to make your presentation. Pursuant to the Brown Act, the Board cannot enter into formal discussion with individuals making public comments to the Board. The Board cannot take action on any issues raised during public comments that are not on the meeting agenda.	Read the citizen input statement before acknowledging citizens to speak.		
<u>Citizen Input</u> Acknowledge each citizen and provide the allotted 3 minutes for them to present to the Board.			

<u>Announcements and Acknowledgments</u> <u>Admin Report</u>	Share		-HVAC needs to be upgraded. Brady controls can only be operated on by Brady. Floors need to be stripped and waxed. This is done every 4 years for both schools. \$53K in a security grant is available. It will cost \$9K to fix the pond and \$8K to fix brush on the hill. Counselors Update -Counselors host a PLC meeting. This was done last week.
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			MTSS is still working with admin and core instruction. Hosted Leadership Granville on 02/05. Two students (one senior and sophomore) conducted presentations. -Several PBL projects going on. -Student Achievement (Spelling Bee was last week). -100 days of school was done over the last 2 weeks. Most of the kids dressed up as the ED.
<u>Acceptance of Meeting Minutes</u> <u>January 16, 2023 Meeting Minutes</u> January 30,2023 Meeting Minutes	Vote		La-Shell Johnson made an initial motion to approve January 16th and January 30th meeting minutes. Willie provided a second. Unanimous ayes.
<u>Directors Report</u> Lottery Update- Current Report HS Course Guide Amendment Course Guide 24-25 Financial Projections for 24-25- Compiling Board Meeting Dates Attendance and Tardies Staff Surveys Accreditation Planning	Share Vote		<u>Directors Report</u> Lottery Update- Current Report HS Course Guide Amendment Admin proposed the following changes: -Addition of ASL 4 being added to the current course description - Change the name of the current computer course to Computer Science Essentials Willie made a motion to approve the change. Magan provided a second. Unanimous ayes. Course Guide 24-25 Financial Projections for 24-25- Compiling Currently looking at increases for different areas on the school grounds. <u>Board Meeting Dates</u> Joey would like to attend — meeting during the first Tuesday of the month. He asked that the Board consider shifting the meeting day to the second or fourth Tuesday of the month. <u>Attendance and Tardies</u> Kindergarten had 40 tardies on Monday. Joey and the admin team are currently working on putting together a report regarding strategies to combat late attendance. <u>Staff Surveys</u> Were sent out by Joey in order to gather feedback from staff on the current climate and retirement. <u>Accreditation Planning</u> The next Board Chair will need to be heavily involved in the accreditation process and also attend the training that they provide. -Current strategy would be to assemble teams and work on current strategy 1 year out. -An independent team will come to school, talk to parents and teachers and conduct observations.

<u>Committee Reports</u> <i>Growth and Development-</i> New Building Project Update <i>Finance and Personnel-</i> Board Report <i>Governance and Academics-</i> <i>Academics and Governance Committee Mtg.</i> <i>Minutes_01.26.24</i> <i>3.8100</i> <i>3.8150</i> 9.2300 Use of Facilities, Equip and Services FLA Rental Procedures Application <i>Attendance Concern - Data</i>	Share Share Vote	Growth and Development We would like to insert some type of bleachers to the soccer field. K. Nolte has requested a quote from the contractor regarding this. Once the information is sent back from the contractor regarding the buildings. We can then go back to the USDA. Completion would probably look like early Spring 2025 for the auditorium. Willie proposed putting together a proposal for the city and have them come out and give buy-in for the current project. Finance and Personnel This committee will meet next week. Governance and Academics Joey is proposing an increase in rental cost across the following: field usage, SRO, and janitorial increase, based on upgrades. <i>Attendance Concern - Data</i> Policies to be reviewed: 3.8100 and 3.8150 Attendance Policy will need to be reviewed. Academic and Governance will need to look at other school county policies. Suggestion: Come up with a minimum number of absences that can be used to establish a standard operating procedures protocol when it relates to absences. Last spring most of the high school failures were attributed to absences. -Ms. Jackson created a focus group that helped to dissolve the chronic absentee problem. North Carolina state statute currently states that if a child that is 10% absent of the days enrolled would be considered for retention. Policy 9.2300 was put forth for a second read and final vote by the board. Willie provided the initial motion to accept this policy. Trey provided a second. Unanimous ayes. Policy 2.2300 needs to be reviewed at the next meeting for the addition of the DEI committee. Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm. No closed session items.
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Closed Session-pursuant to NC GS 143.318.11

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