



NAPLES CLASSICAL ACADEMY

Minutes for Meeting of the Board of Directors Meeting

August 18th, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

102700 Immokalee Rd. Naples, Florida 34120

Members in Attendance

- Matthew Mathias
- Tim Hall
- Derrick Ayers
- Holly Miller
- Bill Truog
- Mark Russo

School Personnel in Attendance

- Erika Donalds
- John Brunner
- Brian Hunter

1. Meeting Called to Order

- a. Mr. Mathias called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.

2. Attendance taken

- a. Mr. Mathias took attendance

3. Community Comments

- a. There were no community Comments

4. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – July 21st, 2021 *(vote)*

- a. Mr. Hall moved for approval.
- b. Mr. Truog seconded
- c. Vote: Approved Unanimously

5. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – August 12th, 2021 *(vote)*

- a. Mr. Hall moved for approval.
- b. Mr. Truog seconded
- c. Vote: Approved Unanimously

6. Chairman's Report

- a. Mr. Mathias discussed the excitement of the students and teachers for the start of the school year.

7. Treasurer's Report

- a. Finance Committee will be put into place in the next month with the assistance of Mr. Ayers.
- b. Will set up a formal schedule to meet before the next board meeting.
- c. Mr. Mathias asked a question regarding liabilities and payables to the contractor

8. Principal's Report

- a. Mr. Brunner discussed a mix of emotions between parents and students with the start of school.
- b. Teachers are acclimating to the building and the schedule.
- c. Change request to the Calendar
 - i. Professional Development needs moved until after 4pm.
 - ii. Request a half day at the end of every month to provide teachers a professional development day
 1. This would cut 5 days from the school calendar.
 - iii. There is an issue with space in the building to conduct meetings

- iv. Setting up Google Classrooms
 - 1. Kids are quarantining and covid positive
- v. Are all teaching positions filled – Yes
- vi. All Assistant positions are filled
- vii. 975 enrolled students
 - 1. Working on cleaning up the list of students that haven't shown up.

9. School Operations Manager's Report

- a. Mr. Hunter updated the board on the progress of the building and upgrades to the landscape
- b. Carline was a difficulty but are down to 50 minutes
- c. Linton is doing breakfast in rooms for Kindergarten and 1st grade
- d. The landscaping of the soccer field needed to be cut down a foot and the irrigation needed dug up and redone – waiting on more sod
- e. All classrooms are full – Teachers are spread out
- f. Open house was great and successful
- g. Walkie-Talkies would be useful – 10-20 more would be useful
- h. How are we going to approve carline? Goal is 30-45 minutes
 - i. 10th graders will have a safety team to help with the carline.
 - ii. Afterschool Programs will help lessen the carline wait times
- i. Staff Needs at the front desk
 - i. Current situation – Two Staff, one assistant, one receptionist, one volunteer
- j. Change from carline to walkers
 - i. Overall 15 children are changing

10. Executive Director's Report

- a. County should be consulted if any traffic issues are changed or discussed
- b. Technically we are going against the statute using charter buses for our busing issue
 - i. Currently busing 150 students
 - ii. Dolphin, Naples Transportation and Tours are our vendors
- c. Covid Related Issues
 - i. 1 staff member, 1 student tested positive
 - ii. Had to quarantine a dozen students because of one student
 - iii. What are we doing to mitigate the spread of covid?
 - iv. Distancing the best way possible
- d. Motion made by Mr. Hall to send communication to parents strongly encouraging them to send students in mask and to make a mandate for the staff/teachers to wear masks.
 - i. Seconded – None
 - ii. Vote: Motion fails

11. New Business

- a. *NCA/Optima Agreement (vote)*
 - i. Moved – Mr. Hall
 - ii. Seconded – Dr. Russo
 - iii. Discussion –
 - 1. Optima will pay \$3000 annually
 - 2. Concerned about the renewal periods (1 year) and length
 - 3. Alterations?
 - a. Long Term agreement change to 1 year
 - iv. Vote: Motion Passes
- b. *2021-2022 Board Meeting Schedule (vote)*
 - i. Moved – Mr. Hall
 - ii. Seconded – Dr. Russo

- iii. Discussion – Adjust for financial days
- iv. Vote: Unanimous
- c. Busing/Transportation Update – Reviewed under SOM

12. Policy Updates

- a. 5200 – *Emergency Policy* [vote]
 - i. Motioned by Mr. Hall
 - ii. Seconded by Mr. Truog
 - iii. Vote: Unanimously Approved

13. Board Comments

- a. Dr. Miller
 - i. Can a COVID support or committee be formed for support for the Health and Wellness?
- b. Dr. Russo
 - i. Excited to be part of the project
- c. Mr. Truog
 - i. Excited about the school started
- d. Mr. Hall
 - i. Impressed with Erika and Optima
- e. Mr. Ayers
 - i. Impressed with what happened in the last week
- f. Mr. Mathias
 - i. Optima sacrificed for the school and curriculum
 - ii. It's a testament to the ability for freedom, right to choose, foundation of this country

14. Motion to Adjourn (vote)

- a. Motion made by Mr. Truog
- b. Second by Mr. Ayers
- c. Motion Approved