

WW Board of Trustees Meeting Notes
July 17, 2019

Present: Kevin Cloud, Christy Ward, Lanair Worsham Sr., Laura Beth Tucker, Tonya McDaniel, Steve Collins, Courtney Rubendall, Lanair Worsham Jr., Susan Glass, Dicksy Hinesley, Ashley Griner, Harrell Rackley

Absent: Chip Davis, Cader Cox IV, David Cooper

Lanair Worsham Jr. called meeting to order and Laura Beth Tucker opened with prayer. Tonya McDaniel made the motion to approve the minutes, second made by Susan Glass, motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Headmaster Report – Kevin Cloud

- Carpet installation has been completed in both the HS and lower elementary buildings. Much appreciation to our Grandparents, PTO, and Boston Butt fundraiser!
- Batting cage – work is complete, we have nets, waiting for turf to be laid
- Boys Restroom (Gym) – water tight thresholds and new carpet will be installed. Also hoping to re-purpose recently found lockers
- Track – Grandparents have re-surfaced the track and awaiting information on “striping”
- Computer Lab – furniture has arrived, modern/minimal appearance, pieces are adjustable. Blough Tech will begin install. Cabinets will be painted.
- Lockers – moved/shifted for areas in need of space reconfiguration
- Painting has begun in high school building; process will be repeated in lower elementary
- Science Labs – architect and consultant will be visiting to make conceptual drawings
- Softball field – appreciate families collaborating/working to make field playable
- Staff Development – met with Mrs. Nancy Palmer to discuss goals and decided to focus on three areas: writing (K-9), handwriting, and critical thinking
- Will visit Brentwood Academy and learn more about their SAT prep program
- New teachers continue to work with mentor teachers
- Travis Moss, our technology teacher, attended Power School University
- New family orientation scheduled for June 23rd
- Pre-planning begins August 5th
- First day of school is August 8th
- Orientation will be held for substitutes and individuals interested in substituting. We will discuss protocol, expectations, complete background checks, etc.
- Working on a new middle school schedule, hopeful that MS students will have their own break time

Curriculum Director – Dicksy Hinesley

- Scheduling – teachers have received schedules
- Dual Enrollment – awaiting financial form signatures
- Middle School – established subject color-coding system. Each MS student will be given a planner, which they will carry to every class
- Jay Menees (our area UGA admissions recruiter) – was delighted to meet five of our recent WW graduates at orientation

Chairman's Report – Lanair Worsham

- Board picture will be taken at August meeting. Please dress appropriately
- Kevin is to be commended for all of his extra time and effort he put forth here at the school during the summer break.
- Retreat was a success.
- Headmaster evaluation of board was constructive
- BOT Committees – changes made concerning both the Academic and Athletic committees. Newly created “Trustees Committee” will be chaired by Susan Glass and focus on board recruitment and policy/procedure education.

Trustees Committee - Susan Glass

- New committee, Susan Glass will serve as chair

Alumni Relations Committee – Heather Lanier

- Heather Lanier will serve as chair

Booster Club – Tonya McDaniel

- Kick-off banquet – will be held 8/12 at 4H-Ag center, still receiving bids on food. Will ask for adults to pay admission/food
- Season Passes/All sports passes on sale now, \$80 individual, \$140 family
- T-shirts – first order went out on Bloomz. Second order will go out after school starts and will possibly include a “football” shirt as requested.

Building / Grounds – Cader Cox

- Getting ready for work day 8/3
- Cutting bushes and replacing straw with bark

Communications/Marketing Team – David Cooper

- No Report

Finance/Fundraising– Chip Davis

- Approval of April-July financials – will use 11-month cumulative financial report
- Motion from Laura Beth Tucker for approval of April-July financial reports. Second made by Steve Collins. Motion passed.
- Recommendation concerning GOAL – see New Business

GOAL/Grants-Laura Beth Tucker

- See New Business

Grandparents - Lanair Sr.

- Track resurfaced
- High School carpet installed
- Tickets going on sale for Southwind Plantation hunting fundraiser

PTO – Christy Ward

- Planning Back to School Activities
- Back to School Night (food tents and snow cones) – August 6th 5-7pm
- Teacher's Luncheon hosted with the Board – BOT members pay \$30
- New Teacher Baskets
- Teacher Bathroom Supplies
- New Family Orientation
- Workday
- Board members are encouraged to join PTO

PTO Parent Representative – Ashley Griner

- Collaborating with Christy Ward on New Family Orientation

Parent Advisory Committee – Ashley Griner

- Reached out to prospective committee members
- Working on schedule – day, time, etc.
- **Boston Butt Fundraiser – working on trying to find a new home for pits/prep, etc.

Recruitment/Retention – Co-Chairs: Heather Cox/Christy Ward

- Collaborating with Kevin, Ashley Griner, and Heather Cox to organize a New Family Orientation – thus far, we have 21 new families
- We will incorporate a “buddy” system – a new family will be paired with an existing family

Strategic Planning – David Cooper

- No Report

New Business

- Discussion took place concerning current GOAL scholarship guidelines: the amount of tuition assistance that a student is eligible to receive is generally 20% - 50% of tuition.
- **RECOMMENDATION** from the Finance Committee that in instances of unexpected hardships beyond a family's control (illness, loss of job, etc.), a family may apply and be awarded an additional scholarship amount. Second made by Steve Collins. Motion passed.
- **PLEASE BE ADVISED**: As an elected official, Heather Lanier, Superior Court Judge of the South Georgia Judicial Circuit: “under the Georgia Code of Judicial Conduct, which governs activities and actions of judges, Rule 3.7(B)(1) states, “[j]udges may serve as officers, directors, trustees, or non-legal advisors of educational, religious, charitable, fraternal, or civic organizations not conducted for the economic or political advantage of their members, subject to . . . limitations. . . .” I cannot give investment advice to any organization, but I can serve on the board and participate in its management, even if that tangentially involves responsibility

for approving investment related decisions. However, Rule 3.7(B)(2) states, "[j]udges shall not personally solicit funds for any educational, religious, charitable, fraternal, or civic organizations, or use or permit the use of the prestige of their office for the purpose, but they may be listed as officers, directors, or trustees of such organizations." So, I can participate on the board, but I just cannot personally, directly advertise or solicit funds for the school, whether as a board member or not. If there are any questions or concerns, please let me know. Thank you. Heather Lanier". Relevant pages of the current Georgia Code of Judicial Conduct will be attached to the official meeting record.

Motion made by Tonya McDaniel to adjourn, second made by Christy Ward.
Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,
Courtney Rubendall