

WW Board of Trustees Meeting Notes
May 20, 2020

Present: Kevin Cloud, Christy Ward, Lanair Worsham Sr., Laura Beth Tucker, Steve Collins, Courtney Rubendall, Lanair Worsham Jr., Susan Glass, Dicksy Hinesley, Chip Davis, David Cooper, Ashley Griner, Harrell Rackley, Heather Lanier, Cader Cox IV, Tonya McDaniel

Absent:

Lanair Worsham Jr. called meeting to order and Susan Glass opened with prayer.
Cader Cox IV made the motion to approve the minutes, second made by Steve Collins, motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Headmaster Report – Kevin Cloud

- Your prayers have been and are appreciated in the days and months to follow.
- Post-planning started on 5/20. PTO provided lunch for teachers on a rotating schedule.
- Continue to search for HS math and science teachers.
- Senior Awards – prepared by Dicksy and Travis. Scheduled for 5/22.
- Senior ride-around will be at 7:00 and the senior slide show at 8:30 on Friday May 22.
- School will be closed Memorial Day week. We will open June 1st and will have summer hours.
- Financial review is complete and will be submitted to finance commission. This must be done as it is a condition of the GA accreditation process. We thank Harrell Rackley for his assistance. The GAC (GA Accrediting Commission) will come in April.
- It should also be noted that our GAC consultant has recommended ALL WW divisions (K, 1-5, 6-8, 9-12) be “Accredited with Quality”. Previously, only Kindergarten has held that distinction.
- We are eligible for ESSER (Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief) Fund. This fund is also a part of the federal CARES Act aimed at COVID-19 relief. GA school districts will receive funds to grant public and non-public schools. We have submitted an intent form. These funds would be used to purchase cleaning supplies/equipment and laptops for distance learning (check-out).
- We have priced out 45 laptops, which would bring out total to 70 laptops in HS. We will have to work with Blough Tech to discuss infrastructure, hardware, and servers. Idea concerning “hot spots” availability at the school was mentioned.
- Spoke with Verativ (cleaning supplies) to discuss supply chain, which will hopefully be back online by June to purchase disinfectants with short kill time, hand sanitizer stations, and thermometers.
- Working constantly to formulate plans and protocols.
- Attending Headmasters retreat on June 6th. GISA headmasters will brainstorm and share best practices.
- Still optimistic about school start date, but must have a workable plan and protocols in place that will be reasonable and repetitive.
- In process of establishing protocols, policies, and expectations for distance learning.
- We will not host STEM camps due to COVID-19.
- GISA did not provide “sport(s)” guidelines for our region. Our region will have a zoom meeting to establish guidelines.
- FUN RUN – will try to reschedule, possibly sometime after Fall Festival in November.
- School Projects:
 - Gym roof is complete
 - Science building demolition to start end of May – construction schedule still appears to be on time

- Elementary playground project – address resurfacing, drainage issues, and improve functionality of area between the Kindergarten building and gym
- AC Gym – specs have been completed; proposal given for a 40-ton unit (At cost!). Install possibly slated for July!

Curriculum Director – Dicksy Hinesley

- In accordance with PPP, teachers have been and are keeping track of time, etc.
- Kudos to our teachers for working through fears and nuances that COVID-19 has presented.
- Locker clean-out/book turn in – Paige created rotating schedule; we had a great turn-out, very few issues
- DE – We have 23 students enrolled. Working through issues (applications/etc.). Forms are being submitted. Financial forms will need to be signed.
- Graduation – continue to work and prepare. Waiting on new state guidelines and make changes accordingly.
- PowerPoint Awards – Big Thank you to Travis Moss with this effort! 12th grade award presentation will be separate.
- Grades due 5/21/20
- IXL – personalized online learning program used by many of our teachers (K-8). Our teachers have had great success with this program
- Digital Learning Days – we will build these into our regular schedule so that students will become accustomed to integrating technologies/email into their daily lives.

Chairman's Report – Lanair Worsham

- Thank you to David for his long service to WW and the board. Although we will vote tonight for his replacement, David is welcome at the next meeting to aid in the transition of the new board member.
- Planning new member orientation/board retreat for the summer
- Praises and continued prayers for Kevin, as his efforts are not unnoticed

Trustees Committee - Susan Glass

- Nominating Committee Report – see old business

Alumni Relations Committee – Heather Lanier

- Ride Around – scheduled for 7:00, Sheriff/Police/Fire departments and EMC bucket truck will be present. Meeting with authorities to develop plan for social distancing, etc.
- Ride Around/Slideshow – authorities will be at both venues to make sure we are in compliance with state guidelines

Booster Club – Tonya McDaniel

- No Report

Building / Grounds – Cader Cox IV

- No Report

Technology/Marketing/Strategic Planning – David Cooper

- No Report

Finance/Fundraising– Chip Davis

- Approval of financials will take place at June meeting

GOAL/Grants-Laura Beth Tucker

- No Report

Grandparents - Lanair Sr.

- Since the locker rooms were not included with GYM AC estimate/install, our Grandparents have decided they will pay for locker room(s) AC install!

PTO – Christy Ward

- COVID Gift baskets were given to all faculty and staff
- Birthday Gift Cards given out
- Helped with End of the Year lunch for teachers

PTO Parent Representative – Ashley Griner

- No Report

Parent Advisory Committee – Ashley Griner

- No Report

Recruitment/Retention – Christy Ward

- Seniors are being recognized on Hwy 19 digital billboard
- Parent/Teacher Thank You is being displayed on digital billboard
- Contacting current and potential families regarding registration

Old Business

Nominating Committee – Susan Glass

- Committee proposed nominees to replace the board position held by David Cooper
- Per the bylaws, the board member rotating off the board nominates one candidate and committee nominates one candidate. Board members then vote via paper ballot for one candidate.
- We would like to welcome Chris Nurmi. He will replace David Cooper. Lanair Worsham Jr. thanked David for his time and dedication while serving on the board.

- 2020-2021 BOT officers: Chairman – Lanair Worsham Jr., Vice-Chairman – Steve Collins, Secretary – Courtney Rubendall

Motion made by Chip Davis to adjourn, second made by Cader Cox IV.
Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,
Courtney Rubendall