

MINUTES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

JANUARY 30, 2019 | 11:00 AM MARION COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

MEETING CALLED TO Mr. Leo Pacheco, Chairman of the Board **ORDER BY** SECRETARY Mrs. Debbie Hart, Secretary Protempore Mr. Leo Pacheco, Mrs. Debbie Hart, Dr. William Murry, Mrs. Kelly Thompson, Mrs. Nneka Nwakoby ATTENDEES Mrs. Teecy Matthews NOT IN ATTENDENCE **ATTENDING GUESTS** None

AGENDA ITEM 1

AGENDA ITEM:	PRESENTER(S):	
Agenda and Minutes Approval	Mr. Leo Pacheco	
DISCUSSION:		

Mrs. Teecy Matthews noted that Title I information was shared with parents.

MOTION:	RESULT:
Motion to approve the previous meeting minutes was made by Dr. Murry and seconded by Mrs. Nwakoby. Motion to approve agenda was made by Mrs. Nwakoby and seconded by Mrs. Hart.	Motions were carried unanimously on both.

AGENDA ITEM 2

AGENDA ITEM:	PRESENTER(S):
Treasurer's Report	Dr. William Murry, Treasurer
DISCUSSION	

Dr. Murry presented the Treasurer's Report and stated that 60% of the annual budget had been spent thus far. He shared the latest revision to the budget as of December 2018, based on student count at that time and some minor adjustments that correlated with actual expenses.

MOTION:	RESULT:	
A motion was made by Dr. Murry to accept and approve	ove Motion was carried unanimously.	
the changes to the budget, seconded by Mrs. Hart.	wotion was carried ananimously.	

AGENDA ITEM 3

AGENDA ITEM:	PRESENTER(S):
Executive Director's Report	Mrs. Teecy Matthews, Executive Director
DISCUSSION:	
shift from the beginning of the school year. She noted th	ently consists of 49.3% female 50.7% male, which is a large at we are 50% minority in racial makeup, and we will be mic school year to meet the growth demands and current
Mrs. Matthews stated that I-Ready is being used and is he	elping the students' progress.
-	s. Matthews requested help from the Board with regard to g Thursday night, Wise Guys Pizza is hosting a fundraiser for
Mrs. Matthews shared that school safety dollars are about previously awarded and approved for a PA/Bell system as	
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AGENDA ITEM:	PRESENTER(S):
By-Laws and Charter Committee Report	Mrs. Kelly Thompson, Chair

DISCUSSION:

Mrs. Thompson stated there were no updates to the By-Laws requested at this time. She will send the Board the most current copy of the by-laws via email for further review in preparation for approval at the next board meeting.

Despite Mrs. Thompson's strenuous work on drafting a revised and new charter for the school, Mrs. Matthews and Mr. Pacheco shared that they had a meeting with the Mr. Steven Ayres at the District, and he indicated that the District would present us with a new charter – possibly based on a statewide draft being drafted by the FLDOE.

Mrs. Thompson stated she had not seen an updated draft from the State since the one issued several months prior. However, the draft shows specific language for charters that we will have to follow, but there is some room for revision based on our unique school requirements. Mr. Pacheco shared that Mr. Ayres stated the District was not waiting on the state to issue a final charter draft, but that the District was using the draft as a guideline for their own charters. Dr. Murry suggested that we present a revised charter to the District before receiving their version, because he felt they would not necessarily draft a charter to represent our unique school environment and ideals. Mr. Pacheco agreed that it is usually best to make the first move. Mrs. Thompson has a rough draft and would share it with Mrs. Matthews for them to review together in order to present an updated charter to Mr. Ayres.

Mrs. Thompson also noted that the state's current draft may not provide required verbiage with regard to the new state standards for school safety. Mrs. Nwakoby expressed concern we may be doing all this work for nothing as the District may not accept it. The questions arose: "What happens if our charter is due and the new charter language is not yet approved by law?" Mrs. Matthews felt the language may have loopholes and that the state would need to make it possible for charters to continue without those challenges.

Our renewal date is June 30, but Mr. Pacheco shared that Mr. Ayres stated we should know long before then about our renewal. The next step in the renewal process is a site visit by Mr. Ayres and Mr. Ken McAteer, which is really just a technicality.

MOTION:	RESULT:
NONE	

AGENDA ITEM 5

AGENDA ITEM:	PRESENTER(S):
Custody Policy	Mrs. Teecy Matthews

DISCUSSION:

Mrs. Matthews expressed the need to draft a policy regarding custody in order to ensure students are released to the legal parent/guardian approved by courts. It would be based on the District policy and would clearly detail whom the student would be released to in case of an emergency.

Mrs. Thompson stated that 60% of children, born today, are to unmarried individuals, and according to FL state law, legal parents have rights to pick up their children anywhere at any time. She shared that from her legal expertise as a family law attorney, the legal parent definition will get more complicated in the future. She suggested that once our school has an approved policy that we hand it to every parent that walks through the door.

Mrs. Matthews will work on the draft for board review and approval.

MOTION:	RESULT:
NONE	

AGENDA ITEM 6

AGENDA ITEM:	PRESENTER(S):	
New Business	Mr. Leo Pacheco & Mrs. Teecy Matthews	
DISCUSSION		

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Dr. Murry asked that the Financial SOP be re-sent in its final draft. Mrs. Matthews shared that she thought that had already been done. However, it would be re-sent as requested to ensure everyone was on the same page, and if there were any changes/revisions, we would address them at the next board meeting.

MOTION:

RESULT:

None	

RESOLUTIONS

PRESENTED BY:	DESCRIPTION:	ACCEPTED OR DENIED
None		

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Complete revision to By-Laws and email to Board	Mrs. Thompson	Next Board Meeting
Complete charter draft and email to Board	Mrs. Thompson/Mrs. Matthews	Next Board Meeting
Complete custody policy draft	Mrs. Matthews	Next Board Meeting
Re-Send Financial SOP	Mrs. Matthews	Prior to next board meeting

NEXT MEETING SET FOR	Wednesday, April 17, 2019 – 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Ocala Public Library	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	None	
ADJOURNMENT	A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Thompson, Seconded by Mrs. Nwakoby. The meeting adjourned at 12:24 PM.	