



LAKE WALES
CHARTER SCHOOLS

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 20, 2024

Lake Wales High School (Auditorium) 5:30pm

Link:

<https://youtube.com/live/IUTldgp1Hvw?feature=share>

Those Present: Danny Gill - Chair, Dr. Lori Hutto, Nicole Sealey, Brian Marbutt, Rafael Unzueta, Tonya Stewart, Andy Blair, Alricky Smith, Marie Cherrington-Gray, Robin Gibson, Denise Moss, Blake Fann, Donna Drisdorn, Anna Barcenas, Anuj Saran, Rebecca Thomas, Kim Griffiths, April Barnhardt, Angela Heyward, Marcia Rose, Stacie Padgett, Morgan Willis, Dr. Julio Acevedo, LaQuanda Burroughs, Krista Thompson, Julie Unzueta, Dr. Michael Flood, June Ullman

Guests: Officer Hernandez, Commissioner Keith Thompson, All recognition honorees & friends

I. CALL TO ORDER

Danny Gill, Chair

The meeting was called to order at 5:53pm.

II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation and pledge was led by Commissioner Keith Thompson.

III. BOARD RECOGNITION

Danny Gill, Chair

Archery

Coach: Josh Gramlich / Assistant Coach: Aydar Rakhmatullin

Alysa Beagles /Oscar Esquivel-Garcia /Corey Handley /Peyton Hedley /Samantha Hiller /Jariann Maurosa /Allyn McNeely – State/Nationals /Richard Raby /Roma Rakhmatullin – State/Nationals /Alivia Roberts /Mariatu Search /Sophia Sernaque / Noaha Sparks /Lauren Sullins /Jayda Tatem /Ceannah Thompson /Kendra Torkildson – State/Nationals /Hannah Vanblargan /Gavin Wheeler /Maleigha White /Ryan Williams – State/Nationals /Baia Wright /Dominic Zeoli

Boys Bowling

Coach: Xayamara Pereira / Nick Hart

Girls Bowling

Coach: Chris Roecker / Grace Davis /Olivia Fessenmeyer /Gabriella Fox /Jeweliana Respress (Miller) /Maggie Vogel /Chacea Wheat

Boys Weightlifting

Coach: Tashawn Williams /Assistant Coach: Sarah Forgue

Joshua Canet /Jeziel De Jesus /Conner Hadden /Zaccheus Hart /Isaac Ramos /Christian Ramirez

Girls Swim

Coach: Ana Pizarro / Mary L. Hardman /Isabella VanGundy /Emilia Wilson /Ady Warrick /Emilie Coulombe

Esports

Coach: Stacey Butcher /Devin Hall /Jonan Rivas Ortiz /Jonathan Baez Arroyo

Track & Field

Coach: Johnathan Feagin

Assistant Coach: Stanley Smith / Kenya Hodge / Kim Campbell / Caleb Willis / Michael Holden / Isabelle Lachermeier

Girls Track: Nayelie St. Fleur /MiKaila Walker /Leilani Leverston /Areeyanna Bonds /Kansas Henry

Boys Track: Jerry Alls /Todd Daniels /Rashad Orr /Fred Filsaime /Myrone Jean /Jayden Johnson /Carldayle Brantley

Cross Country

Coach: Caleb Willis / Assistant Coach: Michael Holden

Gabe Harris /William Windham

Retirement of Principal Donna Drisdom

Edward W. Bok Academy North

Thanks for all your support of the

Lake Wales Charter Schools

5 Years with LWCS

30 years with PCSB

Currently, the Principal and CEO of Edward W Bok Academy North, Donna M Drisdom received her bachelor's in Education from Florida A & M University and her master's in Educational Leadership from Nova Southeastern University. She has a wealth of experience with over 30 years of dedicated service to the students, faculty and staff of the Polk County School System in the roles of teacher, Dean of Students, Assistant Principal of Curriculum and Principal of Secondary Education. Phenomenal educational leader who will be greatly missed!

IV. SWEARING IN OF TRUSTEE

Danny Gill, Chair

Seat 1 – Lake Wales High School – Teacher Representative – Michael Flood

(7-1-2024 to 6-30-2025) Chair Gill swore in the Teacher Representative Dr. Michael Flood.

V. SCHEDULED PERSON'S ADDRESSING THE BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS – (3 minutes please) None

VI. 2024-2025 OPEN BOARD SEATS

Danny Gill, Chair

Seat 6 – Will be selected by Trustees from the SAC/PTO List (1st Term – 7-1-2024 to 6-30-2025 – the rest of Paul Gerrard 2nd term)

Request Board of Trustees approval as discussed in our Board of Trustees Work Session & Finance Meeting on May 20, 2024. Motion to nominate Dr. Lynn Johnson was made by Trustee Tonya Stewart and seconded by Trustee Andy Blair. Motion approved with a no from Trustees Brian Marbutt.

VII. DRIVER PLACEMENT SALARY 2024-2025

Request Board of Trustees approval as discussed in our Board of Trustees Work Session & Finance Meeting on May 20, 2024. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Dr. Lori Hutto and seconded by Trustee Tonya Stewart. Motion approved unanimously.

VIII. SUBSTITUTE JOB DESCRIPTION

Request Board of Trustees approval as discussed in our Board of Trustees Work Session & Finance Meeting on May 20, 2024. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Brian Marbutt and seconded by Trustee Dr. Lori Hutto. Motion approved unanimously.

IX. SUBSTITUTE PAY

Request Board of Trustees approval as discussed in our Board of Trustees Work Session & Finance Meeting on May 20, 2024. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Andy Blair and seconded by Trustee Rafael Unzueta. Motion approved unanimously.

X. 2024-2025 SECRETARY PLACEMENT SCHEDULE

Request Board of Trustees approval as discussed in our Board of Trustees Work Session & Finance Meeting on May 20, 2024. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Dr. Lori Hutto and seconded by Trustee Tonya Stewart. Motion approved unanimously.

XI. 2024-2025 PARAPROFESSIONAL PLACEMENT SCHEDULE

Request Board of Trustees approval as discussed in our Board of Trustees Work Session & Finance Meeting on May 20, 2024. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Dr. Lori Hutto and seconded by Trustee Brian Marbutt. Motion approved unanimously.

XII. APPROVAL OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORK SESSION AND BOARD MEETING MINUTES on April 22, 2024.

Request Board of Trustees approval as discussed in our Board of Trustees Work Session & Finance Meeting on May 20, 2024. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Rafael Unzueta and seconded by Trustee Andy Blair. Motion approved unanimously.

XIII. FINANCIAL REPORT

Alricky Smith, CFO

A. Monthly Financials (April 2024)

Request Board approval of the Financial Reports as discussed at the May 20, 2024 Work Session & Finance Meeting. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Brian Marbutt and seconded by Trustee Tonya Stewart. Motion approved unanimously.

B. Personnel Changes (April 2024)

Request Board approval of the Personnel Changes as discussed at the May 20, 2024 Work Session & Finance Meeting. Information only – no approval needed.

XIV. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Danny Gill, Chair

A. NEXT BOARD WORK SESSION/FINANCE AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Our June 10, 2024 – Board Retreat (First Baptist Church) – 8:00am to 12:35pm. Board of Trustees Work Session (12:45pm) and Board Meeting (2:00pm) - Monday, June 10, 2024, at the First Baptist Church (Youth Hall – 2nd Floor).

XV. SCHEDULED PERSON’S ADDRESSING THE BOARD ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (3 minutes please)

None

XVI. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Danny Gill, Chair

None

XVII. TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustee Nicole Sealey shared her thoughts and thanked the Board.

XVIII. OTHER BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF THE CAUSE

None

XIX. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 6:36pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marie Cherrington-Gray, Corporate Secretary

Board Approved: _____