



Board of Trustees Meeting - Minutes

Tuesday, November 28, 2023

Lake Wales High School (Auditorium)

5:30pm

Livestream Link:

<https://youtube.com/live/FRv-re5vLss?feature=share>

Those Present: Danny Gill - Chair, Paul Gerrard – Vice-Chair, Dr. Lori Hutto, Nicole Sealey, Brian Marbutt, Rafael Unzueta, Tonya Stewart, Andy Blair, Dr. Wayne Rodolfich, Alricky Smith, Marie Cherrington-Gray, Robin Gibson, Elizabeth Tyler, Anna Barcenas, Anuj Saran, Jennifer Barrow, Andrew Smith, Angela Heyward, Gary Laspina, June Ullman, Mellissa Ard, Marcia Rose, Stacie Padgett

Guests: Officer Hernandez, Judge Cassandra L. Denmark

I. CALL TO ORDER

Danny Gill, Chair

The meeting was called to order at 5:37pm

II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation and pledge was led by Pastor Andy Blair.

III. SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Danny Gill, Chair / Dr. Wayne Rodolfich, Supt.

Board Recognition – Judge Cassandra L. Denmark and Dr. TJ McKeon for their service to the students of the Lake Wales Charter Schools.

IV. SCHEDULED PERSON/S ADDRESSING THE BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS (3 minutes each please)

None

V. APPROVAL OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORK SESSION & BOARD MEETING MINUTES (October 23, 2023)

Request Board of Trustees approval as discussed in our Board of Trustees Work Session on November 28, 2023. Motion to approve the Work Session and Meeting Minutes was made by Trustee Andy Blair and seconded by Trustee Dr. Lori Hutto. Motion approved unanimously.

VI. FINANCIAL REPORT (October 2023)

Request Board approval of the Financial Reports as discussed at the November 28, 2023 Work Session & Finance Meeting. Motion to approve the Work Session and Meeting Minutes was made by Vice-Chair Paul Gerrard and seconded by Trustee Tonya Stewart. Motion approved unanimously.

VII. PERSONNEL REPORT (October 2023)

Request Board approval of the Personnel Changes as discussed at the November 28, 2023 Work Session & Finance Meeting. Motion to approve the Work Session and Meeting Minutes was made by Trustee Dr. Lori Hutto and seconded by Trustee Tonya Stewart. Motion approved unanimously.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Wayne Rodolfich, Superintendent

A. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Hiring staff but waiting on the processing of the background checks from Polk County. Hiring these future staff will bring us closer to being fully staffed.
- Football season is over, this was not the outcome we hoped for but we are proud of our twenty-seven (27) game winning streak.
- Soccer and basketball and non-stop sporting events
- Parent and faculty advisory meetings next week with the teacher and parent representatives. The meeting will be December 5th and December 6th.
- Open Enrollment dates – January 8, 2024 through February 16, 2024. No exceptions after the deadline.
- Met with PCPS Superintendent Heid & PCSB Member Lori Cunningham – Chair Gill and I met with them for about 2 hours about facilities and their future assistance. We had great good will showed that was showed by Polk County Schools.
- Visited with daycares – Early Childhood recruitment to assist them with their students.
- As of today, we have had 508 classroom visits, positive feedback for teachers.
- Completed 405 literacy home visits.
- Bi-lingual Christmas at the High School on this Friday. Accepting donation from their Spanish Club per Dr. Acevedo.
- Reading Endorsements – we have about 80 staff that should be completing this soon. We also have some that will complete their ESOL endorsements. .
- Our ESE Department will have a report to tell us how each demographic of our students are doing.
- Strategic Planning for facilities was also shared with PCSB.

B. LWCS INTERNET POLICY

Request Board approval as discussed at the November 28, 2023 Work Session & Finance Meeting. Motion to approve the Work Session and Meeting Minutes was made by Trustee Dr. Lori Hutto and seconded by Trustee Rafael Unzueta. Motion approved unanimously.

C. LWCS PARENT ENGAGEMENT PLAN

Request Board approval as discussed at the November 28, 2023 Work Session & Finance Meeting. Motion to approve the Work Session and Meeting Minutes was made by Vice-Chair Paul Gerrard and seconded by Trustee Tonya Stewart. Motion approved unanimously.

D. RENAMING OF THE 1919 BUILDING

Request Board approval as discussed at the November 28, 2023 Work Session & Finance Meeting. Motion to approve to give the Foundation the ability to raise funds. We give the Foundation the authority to solicit donation for the naming rights to bring them back to our Board for ratification. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Brian Marbutt and seconded by Trustee Dr. Lori Hutto. Motion approved unanimously.

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E. **NEXT MEETING DATE**
Board of Trustees Work Session (4:00pm) and Meeting (5:30pm) – Monday, January 22, 2024 at the Lake Wales High School (Auditorium).

IX. **SCHEDULED PERSON/S ADDRESSING THE BOARD ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (3 minutes each please)** None

X. **CHAIRMAN’S AND TRUSTEES REPORT** **Danny Gill, Chair**

I have attended the PTO meeting at Bok North PTO. I have also attended the SAC meetings and they do well moving forward in your absence. Thanks to Trustees for the extra committee work and also your school visits. Keep up the good work!

Trustee Brian Marbutt: Staff wants information passed on as needed. Some information received need to be shared with all of the staff at all schools. Thanks to the high school for hosting the Veterans Recognition, it was very good. Thank Mrs. Burroughs for the HR Newsletter – lot of information provided.

XI. **OTHER BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF THE CAUSE**

Open Enrollment for the 2024-2025 – Monday, January 8, 2024 to Friday February 16, 2024. Application window will close on February 16, 2024 at 11:59pm.

Trustee Andy Blair: I would like to make a motion that we give the 1919 Building Committee the authority to contract for up to \$4.5M for the renovation/construction of the 1919 Building Project. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Andy Blair and seconded by Trustee Tonya Stewart. Motion approved unanimously.

Trustee Tonya Stewart: I would like to ask all of the schools to share information with their staff when new information is received.

XII. **ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 6:10pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Marie Cherrington-Gray, Corporate Secretary

Board Approved: _____