

Minutes of The Summit Charter School, Inc.
Board of Trustees

October 9, 2017

Report By: Collins Zimmer, Secretary

The October 9, 2017 meeting of The Summit Charter School, Inc, Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:00 p.m. with Edward Cole, Chair, presiding.

Voting Members Attending: Edward Cole, Chair; Ann Betty, Vice Chair; Tammy Bryson, Treasurer; Bill Howard (board member), Jerry Blackburn (board member), Scott Westendorf (board member), Travis Boswell (board member)

Visitors: Suzann Cornell (principal), Sutton Turner (faculty board member), Gretchen Kapity (faculty board member), Marie Starkings (business manager), Katie Bumgarner (SFA president), Linda Quick (foundation board member), Collins Zimmer (to be voted as Secretary), and Barbie Harper (observing parent).

All attending recited the Summit Pledge.

Travis Boswell nominated the following individuals to the Board: Linda Quick Andrew Angle and Collins Zimmer. The Board unanimously approved. It was noted that Charlie Myers resigned from the Board.

Linda Quick nominated Collins Zimmer to Secretary; Ann Betty seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes: Ann Betty moved that the Minutes from the September 13th, 2017 (EC only) meeting be approved. The motion was seconded by Tammy Bryson and was approved.

Open Period/Public Comment: None.

Director's report: In Danny Howell's absence, Suzann Cornell presented the director's report, including an update on enrollment, promoting an open house, a recap on fall sports, and several field trips; members and visitors discussed.

Curriculum: Suzann Cornell presented an update on the EC program and North Carolina's movement to MTSS, a multi-tiered framework which promotes school improvement through engaging, research-based academic and behavioral practices. The essential components of MTSS are screening, progress monitoring, a multilevel prevention system and data-based decision making to maximize school outcomes and student performance. Members and visitors discussed the differing methods, goals of the IEP (Individual Education Plan), and goals of the i-Ready assessments. Suzann Cornell also addressed enrichment opportunities for the gifted learners at Summit. She discussed the screening and testing practices of the aptitude service AIG, and discussed level identification through i-Ready scores, challenge groups, professional development and differentiation within class.

Committee Reports/Goals for 2017-2018:

- Facilities: Scott Westendorf presented on the status and makeup of the committee. Members and visitors discussed maintenance and assessment of near and long-term capital needs.
- Finance: Tammy Bryson presented her report and a positive audit of Summit.
- Strategic Planning: Bill Howard addressed key goals of the strategic committee
- Trustee: Travis Boswell presented nominees to the Board earlier in the meeting and discussed progress in identifying potential new board members for Spring.

Other Committee/Sister Organization Reports:

- Foundation/Fundraising: Linda Quick presented on the status of fundraising for new facilities and encouraged community to physically visit property.
- Construction: Ann Betty presented on the Bobbitt Design Build new gymnasium design and attached classrooms; she requested design changes and ideas to be submitted immediately due to construction deadlines.
- High School: Edward Cole presented on past and pending surveys sent to teachers and parents, AP vs Early College programs, HS programs, and proposed including students representatives on HS committee
- Campus Culture: Sutton Turner led a discussion about a teacher survey and revisiting our school's mission and core values—which will be a part of the Strategic Planning Committee's work in updating Summit's Strategic Plan.
- SFA: Katie Bumgarner discussed the success of SummitFest and upcoming SFA meeting on November 14.

Teacher appreciation efforts: Edward Cole and Collins Zimmer will be responsible for efforts in October.

Edward Cole adjourned the meeting.