

Minutes of The Summit Charter School, Inc.
Board of Trustees
November 13, 2017
Report By: Edward Cole, Chair

The November 13, 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); Jerry Blackburn, Travis Boswell, Katie Bumgarner; Andrew Angle

Voting Members Absent: Bill Howard; Tim Spilliards; Scott Westendorf; Collins Zimmer (secretary); Linda Quick

Non-Voting Members Attending: Danny Howell (director); Sutton Turner (faculty board member); Gretchen Kapity (faculty board member); Marie Starkings (business manager),

Visitors: Suzann Cornell (principal); Lauren Bennett (school counselor).

All attending recited the Summit Pledge.

Approval of Minutes: Tammy Bryson moved that the Minutes from the October 9, 2017 meeting be approved. The motion was seconded by Ann Betty and was approved unanimously.

Director's report: Danny Howell presented his director's report, a copy of which was attached to the agenda. Members discussed changes in the Kindergarten instruction and consideration of potential changes in lower school class sizes, incusing K-2 classes.

Curriculum: Suzann Cornell presented an update on the new Project-Based Learning program that will begin in January, 2018, which includes use of the school's new 3-D printer and an after school, Odyssey of the Mind club. Middle school students will have two periods a week available and those that are performing at mid-year grade level or above in math and/or language arts will have the opportunity to use i-Ready classes for additional work on the 3-D printer. Jim Cornell is being hired as a part-time teacher to provide instruction.

Approval of 2017-2018 Goals: The board discussed proposed goals for the 2017-2018 school year, a copy of which were attached to the agenda.

Counseling Program: Lauren Bennett presented on the school's counseling program and answered board questions.

Committee Reports/Goals for 2017-2018:

- Facilities: Mr. Howell presented on recent minor repairs.
- Finance: Tammy Bryson presented her report. Marie Starkings discussed possible change in policy on health insurance for Medicare-eligible employees.
- Strategic Planning: Mr. Howell discussed recent meeting and upcoming schedule
- Trustee: Attendance expectations discussed.

Other Committee/Sister Organization Reports:

- Foundation/Fundraising: Andrew Angle provided a brief update.
- Construction: Ann Betty and Mr. Howell presented on the current gymnasium design.
- High School: Mr. Howell presented on development of curriculum and likely class offerings for 2018-2019 in 8th and 9th grades.
- Campus Culture: Gretchen Kapity and Ann Betty presented on results of recent faculty survey and committee recommendations, which included: (1) consideration of reduced class sizes in K-2, (2) additional planning time for teachers, and (3) efforts to improve communication between as well as.
- SFA: Katie Bumgarner discussed upcoming SFA meeting.

Other Business: Ann Betty moved to have the annual school lottery held on January 31 instead of in March. Tammy Bryson seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously.

Teacher appreciation efforts: Katie Bumgarner and Travis Boswell will be responsible for efforts in November.

Edward Cole adjourned the meeting.