

CALHOUN FALLS CHARTER SCHOOL
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 18, 2011, 5:00 P. M.
School Library Building
205 Edgefield Street
Minutes from the December 14, 2010 Meeting

This meeting was rescheduled from the regular date of January 11 due to inclement weather.

PRESENT:

Board member's Chairman Bert Broadwell, Michael Alewine, Karen Ashley, Joseph Cade, Dale Gilchrist, Gloria Gray, Chad Sammons, Benjy Sorrow and Peggy Lee Waters.

ABSENT:

There was no one absent.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Broadwell called the meeting to order at 5:03 P. M.

INVOCATION:

Mrs. McCullough gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Broadwell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MISSION STATEMENT:

Peggy Lee Waters read the Mission Statement.

STAND OUT STUDENTS:

Mrs. Lindler recognized Honor Roll students:

A Honor Roll – Kaitlyn Pless, Matthew Prince, Emily Garrett, Jonathan Smith, Addison Brown, Joley Beth Busbee, Jordan Campbell and Stephanie Hill.

AB Honor Roll – Kionna Gilchrist, Grant Willis, Abby Newton, Jessica Sanders, PJ Johnson, Savannah Lewis, Anna Campbell, Alayjah Davis, Kaitlyn Robertson, Samantha Shaw, Destiny Pless, Darren Ashley, Jonathan Bell, Philip Rhodes, Diamond Crawford, Tramell Elmore, James Jenkins, William Lewis, Byron Martin, KenNe Lyons, Elizabeth Paige, Ashleigh Porter and Imani Watt.

BUDGET REPORT:

Mr. Moser was present to give the Budget Report. He also pointed out 2 reports in our packet, one of which was the Audit and the other is the Report to the Board of Directors of CFCS. Mr. Moser asked Board members to read over the reports. He added the Audit is qualified but we want an unqualified Audit. The auditors say we should go on record as qualified because the school is under funded and may not survive which will create attention.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There was on one present for Public Comment.

APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES:

Mr. Cade made motion to approve the minutes of the November minutes. He was seconded by Mr. Sorrow. Motion passed with no opposition.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Mrs. McCullough stated the students have had good behavior in the last weeks with a significant cut in referrals.

Mrs. McCullough stated Christmas holidays begin December 17 with students returning on January 4.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Sorrow stated we would not cook Sunday dinner again until January 9. Mr. Sorrow stated the payment on the note, \$2500, had been made December 13 leaving a balance of \$35,000.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Alewine asked Mrs. McCullough what the Board can do to help with academics. Mrs. Lindler stated the Career Center would be an asset to CFCS. Mrs. McCullough agreed and stated even if we pay \$1500 per student, it would be less of an expense than hiring teachers to teach those courses at CFCS. Mrs. McCullough stated we need an after school program that is mandated for students who score below basic. She added the funds are not available due to the Title 1 monies going to salaries. Mrs. McCullough stated we could add time on to the end of the day because a child who is struggling in the classroom is

not enough. She also stated the teacher's have study guides available for parents who help their students with homework. Mrs. McCullough stated incentives are a good way to improve grades. She asked board members for ideas to help students. Mr. Alewine asked if we could use the money to pay over time for teachers to stay after school. Mrs. McCullough stated yes and parental involvement is a necessity. She also stated a good program can cost from \$300 to \$500 three times per year. Mrs. Waters asked if the board could take on a mentoring program. There was some discussion on the cost. Mr. Alewine asked Mrs. McCullough for an amount needed to start a Renaissance Program. The mentor's must pass a back ground check.

Mr. Alewine asked if the heat in the middle school was repaired. Mr. Broadwell stated Mr. Brandt informed him the temperature heated to about 70 today.

Mr. Alewine stated he had concerns of Mr. Tinsley handling fund raising because he has been told Mr. Tinsley receives a part of the money raised.

Mr. Sorrow stated the school needs a debit card.

Mr. Broadwell stated the board members need to set a date for training. The date was set for Jan. 18.

Mrs. Ashley reminded everyone the ticket money for the fireworks is due on Dec. 28.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Sorrow made motion to go into Executive Session and a second came from Mr. Alewine.

FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Sammons made motion to accept the recommendations of Mrs. McCullough to hire Amanda Snelling to replace Etoya Brown and Ferric Fuller to replace Michelle Geter. Mrs. Gilchrist seconded the motion. Motion passed with no opposition.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Ashley made motion to adjourn the meeting, with a second by Mrs. Gilchrist. Motion passed with no opposition.

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Lee Waters