

AMENDED MINUTES
CALHOUN FALLS CHARTER SCHOOL
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 2011, 5:00 P. M.
School Library Building
205 Edgefield Street

Minutes from the rescheduled meeting of January 18, 2011

The regular scheduled meeting of January 11 was cancelled due to inclement weather.

PRESENT:

Michael Alewine, Karen Ashley, Dale Gilchrist, Gloria Gray, Chad Sammons, Benjy Sorrow and Peggy Lee Waters.

ABSENT:

Bert Broadwell, Joseph Cade, ~~Gloria Gray~~ and Bill Moser. Mr. Broadwell arrived after the meeting began.

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chairman Benjy Sorrow called the meeting to order at 5:04 P. M.

INVOCATION:

Mrs. McCullough gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Sorrow lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

MISSION STATEMENT:

Peggy Lee Waters read the Mission Statement.

STAND OUT STUDENTS:

Mrs. Lindler recognized several students for academic achievement: Clay Cooper and Gant Willis attended the Palmetto Boys State, Matthew Prince received the National Science Merit Award and was awarded a \$10,000 scholarship, Holley Campbell and Kionna Gilchrist attended Business Week at Presbyterian College and received a \$1000 per year scholarship and Kalan Rogers attended the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Conference at Erskine College and was awarded \$10,000 per year scholarship.

BUDGET REPORT:

Mr. Moser was not present to give the report. Mrs. McCullough received the information from him stating the fund raising/donations were solid for December and he urged board members to continue the momentum the remainder of the year.

Mrs. McCullough stated there will be an adjustment for the EFA funding, as of today the school receives funding for 224 students but we now have 204.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no one present for public comment.

APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES:

Mr. Alewine made motion to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2010 meeting. He was seconded by Mr. Sammons. Motion passed without opposition.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Mrs. McCullough stated the Renaissance Celebration is scheduled for Friday the 21st. Awards will be given and honor roll recognition concluding with refreshments.

Mrs. McCullough stated the Mentoring Program was discussed at last month's meeting but much should be done before we can get started. She stated policy and procedures must be in place due to litigation before the program can begin. Mrs. McCullough stated Mayor Garrett and Mrs. Waters would committee this effort, others interested are welcome to join with them. Mrs. McCullough stated teachers have submitted names therefore mentors must be matched with mentees.

Mr. Sorrow stated he had seen the lights on and gym doors open on Sunday's. During discussion it was found the school and recreation dept. use the gym on Sunday's. Mrs. McCullough stated she would discuss the issue with school coaches and asked Mayor Garrett to discuss with Joseph Cade.

Mrs. Lindler stated report cards would not go home on Jan. 20 as scheduled but on the 27th.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mrs. Gilchrist asked the plans for the snow days. Mrs. Lindler stated they did not know but they are hoping they will be forgiven which is common during a budget crisis. Mrs. Lindler stated the make up days were March 25, May 30 and June 3 and one more will be decided at any time.

Mrs. Ashley stated she had 2 checks to turn in for karaoke and junk for fund raising.

Mrs. Waters' asked if the special account could be used to pay teachers for an after school program. Mr. Broadwell stated that could be discussed later.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Broadwell stated Town Councilman Keith Ashley asked if payments could be made on the utility bill by the special account. Mr. Sorrow stated that is possible but did not feel we should set an amount due to emergencies. Mrs. Lindler stated CFCS had recently applied for ERate which pays up to 90% of technology and phone bills. Mr. Sorrow asked the monthly amounts of the utility bills. Mrs. McCullough stated the electric is from \$3000 to \$8000 per month.

Mr. Sorrow asked Mayor Garrett where the issue stands with Mr. Hite and the transfer of the school property. It was decided ACSD stipulated in the agreement if the school fails, the building will go back to the town for use as office space.

Mr. Sorrow stated we will start the payment to the Town to pay the utility bills.

Mr. Sorrow stated help was needed for Sunday dinner.

Mrs. Ashley stated she would like to begin planning for the annual banquet which is June 18. She asked if everyone was in agreement with Keith Ashley continuing to head up the banquet, all agreed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Alewine made motion to go into Executive Session and was seconded by Mrs. Gilchrist. There was no opposition.

FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no business following Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Broadwell made motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Mr. Alewine. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sorrow adjourned the meeting at 6:38 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Lee Waters