

Mallard Creek and Southwest Charlotte STEM Academy
Board of Directors Meeting
December 15th, 2021
Live @ MCSA
STEM Lab

6:00 Call to Order

Meeting is called to order at 6:20

6:05 Approval of Minutes from last meeting

Tyrone makes a motion to approve the minutes

Shelly seconds the motion to approve the minutes no discussion.

Motion passed unanimously

6:10 Principal Reports: Attached as PDF

Deanna Smith presented first: we have 200+ student applications and first parent information session is coming January. Outstanding opening to the athletics. Tons of families attended the festivities. The energy was great and looking forward to the first of the season. Tons of positive feedback. Student data is finally showing growth by kids being in the building. Looking at data to determine how to improve academics. MTSS team and intervention team is awesome. Shelly asked about staffing and retention and very happy to know that MCSA only has 1 opening.

Shekeria Barnes presented after: SCSA has 1 opening in SS beginning Jan 4th.

Highlight on:

Student academic performance

Professional Development and goals

Testing reports

Celebrations

6:25 Food service update: Melanie

Melanie presented she is working with Mr Harmon on permits and kitchen install. They are planning to complete the kitchens during xmas break if the sub contractors work.

Mallard serves 400 lunches a day and scsa is growing. Melanie expects to grow by 100-200 more per day when the kitchen is fully complete. Menus are flexible based on supply chain issues and manufacturers. May need to find disposable items for kitchen ware.

6:30 Mask Policy update for approval JL

Little discussion on changing the mask policy. The CDC still recommending that we should follow. Shelly makes a motion to continue our mask mandate in both schools. Tyrone seconds the motion and there no further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Grants, Approvals JL

Jennifer presented the intention to apply for the summer 21st century grant with a partnership with Firm Foundations. We will plan to target 300 students to service based on need. Two sections per grade level. We will open it to the community if space allows.

Budget/bond reports/forecast/Facility JM

Justin shared the growth of the financial status I both schools. MCSA is already posting a positive cash flow as the local funding has begun to come in. SCSA is getting close and will be caught up and in a positive cash position by next board meeting. The budget for the state was finally passed but they still haven't produced a per pupil for each student. Possibly a 5% increase per kid on average. There is \$1500 bonus coming to all teachers. Staff who makes over \$75000 will get \$1000. There is some confusion about additional performance pay for additional bonuses.

Facility updates on fields at SCSA and replacement of the playground. Also working on cosmetic updates that are needed at MCSA after tornado damage

7:00 Public Comment NONE

7:15 Adjourn

Tyrone made the motion to adjourn

Shelly second the motion and no further discussion. Motion passes unanimously