

Mallard Creek and Southwest Charlotte STEM Academy
Board of Directors Meeting
October 27 2021
Live @ SCSA
STEM Lab

7:00 Call to Order

Meeting is called to order at 7:03

Present: Jose Garcia Kellen Nixon, Tyrone Harmon, Shelly Domenech

Absent: Christy Condon

Also Present: Deana Smith, Shekeria Barnes, Jennifer Lucas, Justin Matthews

7:05 Approval of Minutes from last meeting

Tyrone made a motion to approve the minutes from the Sept board meeting. No discussion, Shelly seconded the motion. The minutes are approved unanimously.

Calendar of Events (Social)

Testing/Data reports

7:10 Professional Report Development Attached as PDF

Deanna Smith Nights/Ed first Lum Nights report

Shekeria Barnes Dashboard updates

Group discussion on students struggling to catch up to grade level. Students have suffered a lot by being quarantined and remote learning. All data included in the board report. Discussion on teachers' attitudes and their capacity to stay in the game. Our teachers feel sad and defeated when kids struggle so we continue to raise them up and tell them that progress is what matters and showing learning gains is most critical for all kids.

7:40 Region Team feedback (JL)

Mask Policy update: Jennifer referred to the latest NC Toolkit and shared the info in there to suggest continuance of mask policy. This had to go to vote as required by state legislation.

Shelly made the motion to continue the mandatory mask policy

Kellen Second the motion

All in favor no further discussion so the motion passed unanimously

No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously

Grants, Approvals and other new business JL

Jennifer shared the types and dollars of new grants. Some are helpful for the operating budget and others are "spend it" to get it such as summer reading camps and homeless student support.

8:00 Public Comment

David Markham asked for introductions. 4 board members introduced himself. Dad is against the mask mandate and says there is no science behind it and dirty masks are harmful and no science that shows mask work.

8:05 Finance/Facility JM

School finances are in great shape. Neither school has received local dollars from the districts. Both schools are carrying healthy fund balances and are posting clean, great audits.

8:18 Shelly moved to adjourn

Second motion by Kellen

Meeting is adjourned at 8:28