MILLENNIUM CHARTER ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES February 23rd, 2021

The Board of Directors for Millennium Charter Academy met in regular session on Tuesday, February 23rd, 2021 at 5:30 pm. Those Directors present included David Hiatt (remote), Renee Francis (remote), Christopher Willingham (remote), Mark Hampton (remote), Susan Campbell (remote), and Marty Danley (remote). Headmaster Kirby McCrary and Finance Officer Patty Bare were also present for the meeting. Renee Francis called the meeting to order with Kirby McCrary providing the Invocation. Renee Francis led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Director Beth Southern was not present for the meeting.

Adoption of Proposed Agenda: Upon the motion of Mark Hampton, seconded by Christopher Willingham, the proposed agenda was adopted with the addition of adding March Meeting Date discussion to New Business.

Approval of Minutes: Upon the motion of Mark Hampton, seconded by Christopher Willingham, the January meeting minutes were approved.

Public Comment: None

Report of Affiliated Organizations: None

Report of the Headmaster: Kirby McCrary presented the Headmaster's Report emphasizing the following items:

- 1. Athletic Director Rodney King successfully appealed MCA's conference placement. The school is now in **1A West Conference** #32 with Bethany Community, Bishop McGuiness, Carver, Cornerstone Charter, NC Leadership Academy, and Winston-Salem Prep. The athletic directors of each school met earlier this month for the first time. There was good camaraderie and excitement. This conference will provide MCA and the other schools with healthy competition, similar sports, and reasonable geographic proximity.
- 2. The Office of Development published a particularly meaningful edition of "**The Herald**," which highlighted benefits of charter schooling.
- 3. The Office of Development also published "The Academic Journal" with a well-received article entitled "The Times We Are Given."
- 4. Following the **January insurrection** at the capitol, Mr. McCrary offered the faculty and staff a way to understand this event and a way to present it to MCA students.
- 5. On February 26, MCA's faculty and staff will participate in the required **Title IX** training.
- 6. The impact of COVID and other factors had undermined the efficacy of the **Challenge Center**, but with the help of Challenge Center teacher Lori Spencer and lower school director Michael Reeves the program has been reinvigorated, offering courses for K-5 students who excel even in the rigorous nature of MCA's curriculum. The program now provides remote, biweekly courses, including Math Superstars, Student Scientists, Beginners' Spanish, Book Club, Financial Leadership, and Civics Club. A few of these are taught by lower school personnel, Michael Reeves and Lori Spencer, while the balance are taught by upper school teachers, Christie Speer, Maria Kern, and Jennifer Baker.
- 7. The SIT met and decided to focus immediate attention to further cultivate **classically educated students**. Various individuals volunteered to spearhead the efforts.
- 8. COVID Update

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Report of the Treasurer: Christopher Willingham and Patty Bare gave a combined Treasurer and Finance Committee report. Patty Bare presented and discussed a proposal by City Wide Facility Solutions to provide janitorial services to MCA. Upon the motion of Christopher Willingham, seconded by Mark Hampton, the Board approved a motion to accept the proposal and enter into contract with City Wide Facility Solutions for janitorial services.

Report of Standing Committees: Board Development: None

Unfinished Business: Conservation Easement - Upon the motion of Christopher Willingham, seconded by Mark Hampton, the attached revised Deed of Conservation Easement was approved.

New Business: Given that the scheduled March Board meeting falls during Spring Break, Christopher Willingham motioned to move the meeting to March 25th at 5:30pm. Mark Hampton provided a seconded and the motion was approved by all Board members present.

At 6:30 pm the Board approved the motion of Mark Hampton, seconded by David Hiatt, to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted Marty Danley

Attachments: Agenda, Headmaster's Report

Agenda 2-23-21.pdf Headmaster's Conservation

Report 2-23-21.pdf Easement Millennium