

MSC Board Minutes October 3, 2024

The MSC Board met this date in person in Building B of the school campus. Participating members and guests included: Ginny Warren, Chanda Booker, Darrell Booker (virtually), Sarah McCants, Cade McConnell, Mary Lucas, Leslie Greene, Dave Barbeau, Ernest Cromartie, Misty Dickson, and Kobe Wilkerson (virtual)

The chairman called the meeting to order.

A motion was made to approve meeting minutes from the previous meeting as well as a second. The meeting minutes were affirmed.

Mary Lucas opened the meeting with an opportunity for non board members to ask questions. Daryl Booker indicated that he had questions regarding school safety and review of safety from the standpoint of Richland County/Columbia Police department

Leslie Greene continued the conversation with a review of the emergency preparedness plan. Chanda noted incidents of neighborhood folks walking through. Discussion was held regarding gates as well the keyfobs that are used to get into doors. Further discussion about accessible points of entry. Ernest suggested that perhaps the neighborhood contact from the police department would be a good contact for setting up training through the police department. Also discussed adult presence. Sarah discussed biannual active survival. Discussion around changes adding more cameras. Leslie indicated that the school is connected with Richland county for alerts and fiber phone lines. Procure and Sonocare were also highlighted.

Head of School (HoS) report shared by Leslie

- Shared about a recent training on campus with Miesha Green
- Discussion of community education. Leslie indicated currently planning for a Screenagers Elementary Edition opportunity that dates are being considered.
- Staff updates: update on Ms. Vera- hired Ms. Kat for after care during her absence. Lisa also has been providing support in Ms. Vera's absence.
- Enrollment/Admissions
 - 5 families signed up for the first information session of the year 10/4
 - Tours will begin in October
 - Invites for next level meet and greets/observations have been
 - Dave asked about historical enrollment data
 - No current changes
- Leslie will be completing classroom observations in October/November which will include a teacher meeting following the observation

Finance Update

- Currently looking into purchasing buses- looking at USC buses before they going into surplus
 - Annual fund/fundraising about
 - Discussion regarding budget approval being moved to an earlier date
 - Discussion regarding changing the drop date for enrollment contracts
 - Discussion about considering financial aid for K.
- HoS Search updates were shared by Chanda. She Rose is currently screening applicants and Chanda and Kobe will be meeting with them next week for review of
 - Discussion regarding sending a similar communication to the community that is a brief version of the staff email.
 - Timeline was discussed

Action Items/Future Discussion Notes

- Revisit safety @ the beginning of the new calendar year
- Leslie will pull financial information regarding implementation of
- Discussion of revision of enrollment contract
- Add discussion of extending financial aid for K.

There being no further business, it was moved to adjourn the meeting and seconded, bringing the session to a close.