



Hapeville Middle School

A Fulton County Charter School

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Present: M. Dodson, C. Bostic, R. Beasley, H.L. Valero, E. Killum, C. Olsen, T. Martin, G. Martin, J. Grubbs, J. Rainey

Real Estate representatives: Monty Coursey, Chip Coursey

MINUTES

Board of Directors Meeting: November 26, 2007 at 5:30 pm

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm by Lew Valero.

The minutes of the November 2007 Board Meeting were moved and accepted by R. Beasley, and seconded by C. Bostic.

Treasurer's Report – Carla Olsen distributed the budget report for month ending October, 2007 and reviewed expense overages. The major expense line item which was above forecast was in facilities management in preparation for the winter months.

DTAE Grant & Buffington Road Property – Dr. Martin discussed the property under consideration for purchase at 6045 Buffington Road. College Park Economic Development contacted Dr. Martin for a second visit to review other properties in that area. The Board of Directors approved the purchase of the Buffington Road property if Terracon Phase I and Risk/Hazard assessments result in no findings. The sales contract (to be handled by Coursey Properties will be signed by Lew Valero (CEO) and Terry Martin (CFO.) Mr. Beasley made a motion that Hapeville Charter would move forward with the purchase of the land in the samples came back in good standing. Chairman of the Board H. Lew Valero raised a vote by show of hands and all members present voted unanimously "Yes".

Ms. Grubbs brought up the issue regarding space for the current Middle School; Ms. Martin suggested that we put a committee together that would search for possibilities within the City of Hapeville City Limits.

Enrollment Update for 2007-2008 - Mr. Rainey reported that the current enrollment is 409 students. 409 represents a 5% attrition rate since the start of classes in August, 2007.

Additional Transportation for 2008-2009

Two bids from third party service providers were given for student transportation for the 2008 – 2009 school year. The board will revisit issues regarding transportation after the second Informational Meeting (scheduled in February, 2008.)

Academic Update (Mr. Rainey)

Mr. Rainey reported that HCS had the second highest ITBS test scores for Fulton County Schools located on the southside.

The most recent Saturday School was attended by 31 students and 6 teachers.

The distribution of grades for the last progress reports remained steady for teachers

Due to textbook changes for the 2008-2009 school year, the budgeted expense line item for textbooks will be increased.

School Improvement Plan

Compass Learning Software - Ms. Henry is waiting for the trial software before we decide to purchase product. Compass Software will integrate with the existing NWEA software we are currently using to provide individualized tutorial assistance for students needing additional support.

School-wide practice CRCT testing is scheduled for Wednesday, November 28th.

Accreditation – Hapeville Charter School has received full accreditation for the school by SACS.

Title I Update

Ms. Floyd scheduled and presented a workshop with parents focusing on Parent Connect and Parent Rights and Responsibilities

8th grade teachers have made contact with students and parents regarding ITBS scores this school year.

Sixth Grade Academy Update Mr. Nowell gave an update on student test taking strategies for 6th grade.

Communications Update Ms. Grubbs inform us of the various city projects going on for a winter break.

PTCO – The turkey dinner fundraiser on Thursday, November 15 for the families of HCS students and the surrounding Hapeville community was a tremendous success. The PTCO is currently planning a skate party and a December fundraiser.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm by Mr. Valero.