

**WALTON ACADEMY  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MINUTES**

Date: Thursday, June 30, 2022

Time: 10:00am

Location: Walton Academy Charter School/Meeting also accessible via Zoom  
389 Dorsey Avenue  
DeFuniak Springs, FL 32435

I. Call to Order, Review of Public Notice, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Neale at 10:05am. Board members present were Wayne Graham and Robert Neale. Guests present included: Marie Laurino, Ray Sansom, Dr. Bill Rader, Dr. Allison Schnell, Andrea James, and Elizabeth Daters.

II. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Graham made a motion to approve Agenda as written. Mr. Neale seconded. Motion passed.

III. Approval of Minutes

The last meeting's minutes from February 24, 2022 were approved on a motion by Mr. Graham, seconded by Mr. Neale. Motion passed.

IV. Public Comments by Pre-Registered guests, if any

No guests were present.

V. Introduction of new School Director

Mr. Sansom introduced Ms. Laurino, the new School Director, to the board. He informed the board that she has moved from a guidance counselor who has extensive experience and will do an excellent job as the School Director.

VI. Board Membership

A. Resignation of Board Member

- a. Dr. Schnell informed the board that Ms. Swanson has resigned from her board position. Mr. Neale asked for a motion to approve, Mr. Graham seconded. Motion passed.

B. New Member Board Election

- a. Dr. Schnell announced a new board member candidate, Ann Black. Mr. Graham made a motion to approve, Mr. Neale seconded. Motion passed.

C. Board Officer Selection

- a. Dr. Schnell discussed the need for the board to elect new positions, since they have two new members. Mr. Neale as Chairman, Mr. Graham as Vice Chairman, and Ms. Black as Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Graham made a motion to approve the officer selections, Mr. Neale seconded. Motion passed.

## VII. Reports

### A. Walton Academy Director Reports & Title I Update

- a. Director Report Walton Academy – Mr. Sansom thanked Ms. Laurino for stepping up. Ms. Laurino announced that Walton Academy is undergoing construction and improvements to prepare for new year. He stated that staffing plans are also being discussed and finalized. Ms. Laurino gave an update stating that they have found some strong and energetic teachers and they hope to add more wonderful teachers to their staff.

### B. Walton DJJ Director's Report & Title I Update

- a. Mr. Sansom provided the director's report for Walton Learning Center in Ms. Fields absence. He said everything is going well there and there are no staffing changes.

### C. Management Report

- a. Mr. Sansom stated that the director reports also covered the management reports.

## VIII. Discussion & Action Items

### Human Resources

- A. Personnel Report - The personnel reports for Walton Academy and Walton Learning Center were presented by Ms. Daters. Walton Academy has 17 current employees. Walton Learning Center has 7 employees. A motion was made by Mr. Graham to approve the personnel reports and Mr. Neale seconded. Motion passed.

### Financials

- A. Financial Reports Walton Academy – Ms. James stated Walton Academy is in a great financial position with cash and earnings. Total income is at 91.72%. The beginning fund balance was \$824,273 and ended at a positive net income of \$893,387. She stated Mr. Schmidt and Ms. Laurino have done a great job managing the budget.
- B. 21-22 Walton Academy Amended Budget – Mr. Graham made a motion to approve, Mr. Neale seconded. Motion passed.
- C. Financial Reports Walton DJJ – Ms. James stated that Mr. Fields has done a great job managing expenses. Total income is at 93% and expenses are at 87.2%. The positive net income is \$27,661 with an ending fund balance of \$69,814.75.
- D. 21-22 Walton DJJ Amended Budget – Ms. James stated that the funding increased slightly and there was a change to expenses. There is a positive net income of \$6,322.06. Mr. Graham made a motion to approve, Mr. Neale seconded. Motion passed.
- E. Audit Update – Ms. James gave an update on the audit stating that the auditor and herself were at the school in May pulling files and that everything went well. The audit scope and objectives outline what auditors will be doing for the school.

### General

- A. Board Membership – Dr. Schnell asked the board to keep in mind any potential new board members.
- B. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm.

## IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by a motion by Mr. Neale, seconded by Mr. Graham at 10:21am.