

WOODS CHARTER SCHOOL
SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
October 20, 2011

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VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Nachman, Ms. Perschy, Mr. Galin, Ms. Deegan, Ms. Leinbach, Ms. Hall, Mr. Carter

NON VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Rentz, Katie Scheer

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm in The Great Room

- I. The Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Public Comment (Written public comments may be added to the Public Comment Notebook.)

	Comments: No public comments
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III. Consent Agenda

Principal's Report Mr. Rentz (Report is available online.)	Additional Discussion:
Minutes for . (Approved minutes are posted online.)	Additional Discussion: No changes.
Contracts Mr. Rentz	Additional Discussion: No contracts on consent agenda tonight but presented internet contract to be looked over for the next meeting.
Action Taken: Motion to approve consent agenda made by Ms. Perschy . Seconded by Ms.Hall. All approved.	

IV. Reports

Student Update Ms. Scheer	Additional Discussion: Student council representatives were voted on for high school student council and officers were elected. This Friday there will be a Halloween dance. Last week there was a senior retreat where they discussed how they could bring the high school closer together. Perhaps meeting during homeroom with other grade levels. They would also like to work with younger students to discuss important topics such as bullying. The yearbook is starting off strong this year. Ms. Berrutti is helping. Sports are off to great start this year, we are wrapping up Fall sports. New teachers are all great and have been accepted well. Blood drive will be coming up soon.
Faculty Update Mr. Rentz for Ms. Green	Additional Discussion: (Report is available)
Treasurer's Report Ms. Deegan	Additional Discussion: Additional unanticipated state revenue that came in last month was moved over to salaries and bonuses. Approximately \$18,000 will be expended for capital purchases to cover safety features for the

	bleachers and teachers laptops. Summer camps earned almost \$14,000 for the school this year. Mr. Carter asked where we stood on Sugar Creek litigation. Currently the last remaining county to pay this is Durham County.
Personnel Committee Report Ms. Hall	Additional Discussion: Met on October 12. Review of modifications of Head of School Survey with a plan to rewrite the parent questions. Several parents are serving as beta testers. The Committee also finalized the Draft Division Head Evaluation Policy that is being presented tonight to be discussed and voted on at the next meeting. Efforts to identify a parent representative to serve is ongoing. Ms. Hall is creating an email list for Personnel Committee members.
Foundaton Update: Donald Beeson and Lisa Mckenzie	Additional Discussion: Funds were up significantly from last year. The foundation raised \$104,000 (up 30% from the year before). One hundred twelve families contributed last year. It is hoped that this will increase as families learn about what the foundation does. A grant was recently approved to handle instructional materials. Over the past several years the Foundation has been able to help the school handle cash management from year to year. Three additional members are needed for the Foundation board; they are actively looking. One of these will be filled by an alumnus. Ms. McKenzie is beginning her second year at the school and has done a tremendous job in improving communication and targeting a larger constituency. Ms. McKenzie commented on the great success of the foundation fund drive. We are also trying to increase our outreach into local businesses and communities. The Foundation speaker series ("The Founders' Series") is hoping to bring in many people from the local community to show what Woods is all about. It is hoped that the annual fund will be something that people commit to each year. The Foundation also wants to back innovative ideas from teachers. Ms. McKenzie would like to ask that the School board help to be ambassadors for the Foundation.
Facilities & Grounds Ms. Leinbach	Additional Discussion:
Chair's update Ms. Nachman	Additional Discussion: Ms. Nachman moved this first in the reports to give an update on the grievance policy issue that was inquired about at the meeting. After speaking with our school lawyer he suggested that there be a general grievance policy. This has been moved from action item for Personnel Committee and given to the Board Development committee.

V. Business

Marketing and Public Relations: Ms. Gallagher	Additional Discussion: Ms. Gallagher said that we need to get a policy in place on photographing students to be used in marketing materials. Ms. Nachman stated that this could be given to the Board Development Committee but it would be preferable to have the Marketing and Public Relations Committee to tackle this. Currently Ms. McKenzie, Ms. Gallagher, Mr. Galin and Mr. Rentz are working on their list of goals and will plan to bring them for approval next month. Mr. Galin talked about rules pertaining to photographs of people coming to the school and what the guidelines should be.
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Action Taken:	
B. Board Development	Additional Discussion: Goals and committee members are provided in the monthly report. This will be a board committee which will not include a community representative. Goals are very aggressive: dates and projects are listed in provided report. One item discussed is how to get out to the population what the board is about. Do we need to have a blog, meetings, website etc.
Action Taken:	

VI. Closed Session

a. Personnel	none
b. Contracts	none

VII. Adjournment (Open) Session

	Additional Discussion:
Action Taken:	

Ms. Perschy made the motion to adjourn at 8:15, seconded by Mr. Carter. All members voted yes. Meeting adjourned.