## Millennium Charter Academy

## **Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

May 28, 2024

The Board of Directors for Millennium Charter Academy met in regular session on May 28, 2024 at 5:30 PM. Those directors present were Druery Devore (in person), Chris Willingham (remote), James Crossingham (in person), and Ann Jones (remote). Headmaster Paul Rezzo and Finance Director Tia Gwyn were also in attendance. James Crossingham acted as Secretary as Melinda Shew was not present. Druery Devore called the meeting to order. Mr. Rezzo provided the invocation followed by Druery Devore leading all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Adoption of Proposed Agenda:** A motion to adopt the proposed agenda was made by James Crossingham and seconded by Chris Willingham. The motion carried and the proposed agenda was adopted.

**Approval of April meeting minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes from the April meeting was made by James Crossingham and seconded by Chris Willingham. The motion carried and the minutes were approved.

Public Comment: None

Repot of Affiliated Organizations: None

**Report of the Headmaster**: Paul Rezzo presented his Headmaster's Report emphasizing the following items:

- 1: Mr. Rezzo recommended the hiring of two teachers Maddie Payne to teach second grade, and Kyrie Gough to teach fifth grade math. He relayed his and other staff members confidence in both the proposed new hires' ability to perform to MCA's high teaching standards. A motion was made to hire both the aforementioned teachers by James Crossingham and seconded by Chris Willingham. The motion carried.
- 2: The office of Charter Schools approved the new MCA mission statement.
- 3: The Office of Charter Schools also brought to the attention of Mr. Rezzo that the supply fees for technology that had been charged to students in the past and the insurance for student chrome books that had also been charged to students in the past were not things that MCA would be able to charge students/parents for going forward. MCA will however be able to charge students/parents for damage done / repairs or replacement needed for chrome books due to abuse by students. Paul agreed to get some more numbers together

so that the board could have a clearer picture for what affect this would have going forward such as the cost of a new chrome book and if it even made sense to carry insurance on them.

- 4: Commencement was a success
- 5: The administration is taking a closer look at several policies with the idea that they could be improved and that enforcement of said policies should be more stringent. These policies include attendance policies, phone policies, and the school dress code.

**Report of the Treasurer:** Chris Willingham delivered the report of the Treasurer emphasizing the following items:

- 1: Need to assess the effect that the loss of supply fees and insurance will have on the budget.
- 2: Chris proposed the purchase of new laptops for the teachers. A motion to this effect was made by James Crossingham and seconded by Ann Jones. The motion carried.
- 3: The athletic boosters have requested an increase in the funding that MCA provides to help pay athletic coaches. It is the view of the administration that the amount that the school can provide for those coaches could be increased. This will be communicated to the boosters for them to plan around.

Reports of Standing Committees: None

## **Unfinished Business:**

A: Lion's Heart Foundation - Ann Jones

A foundation has been created by a group of parents to benefit MCA called the Lion's Heart Foundation. Two of the persons on the Board of Directors on the Lion's Heart Foundation are to be nominated from the MCA Board of Directors. Chris Willingham made a motion to nominate James Crossingham and Ann Jones of the MCA BOD to the Lion's Heart BOD. The motion was seconded by Druery Devore. The motion carried.

**B:** Marketing Update - Melinda Shew

Mrs. Shew was not present and did not give an update.

C: Bus Update – James Crossingham

James informed that he was still on the lookout for replacement buses and recommended selling the old ones on an auction website. All were in agreement.

**D:** Druery Devore informed the Board that he is currently in communication with the engineer regarding plans to expand the soccer field into a soccer/football field and exploring the feasibility of adding a track around the field. He is also investigating the

potential to incorporate additional amenities and opportunities for utilizing the field for other sports.

**13: Adjournment:** Druery Devore made a motion to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Ann Jones. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 6:14 PM.