



Meeting of the Board of Directors

Monday, June 26, 2017, 6:30 p.m.

Conference Room, Metrolina Regional Scholars Academy

Conference Call Number: 980-224-1999 (local) or 1-805-309-2350, Conference ID: 996-0029

MEMBERS

Renee Alsop	Lee Keel	Jennifer McClave
Manish Mittal	Katherine Pair	Makila Scruggs
Jack Wagler	Rob Watson	Jessica Cuneo (<i>ex-officio</i>)

MISSION

Metrolina Regional Scholars Academy provides a differentiated and challenging learning environment that supports the distinctive intellectual, social, and emotional needs of highly gifted children and enables them to form meaningful relationships with their intellectual peers.

AGENDA

1	Call to Order & Mission Statement Lee Keel	6:30
2	Approval of prior Minutes & Adoption of the Agenda Lee Keel Prior minutes approved – Watson motioned, Wagler seconded, all approved. Agenda approved with adjustments – Wagler motioned, Alsop seconded, all approved.	
3	Announcements Community Comments (First Opportunity) – subject to guidelines <i>The public is welcome to speak; limited to three minutes per speaker. Topics should not cover private, confidential or personal information. The board will not respond or enter into a dialogue on topics discussed.</i> Lee Keel	
4	Report from School Administration ▪ Executive Director report Jessica Cuneo Cuneo gave her report as information only on curriculum / program adjustments for 2017-2018 (math, foreign language, intervention, teaching assistants). The Board had a few clarifying questions including further explanations and ensuring no impact of changes on budget or approved slate of teachers, which Cuneo confirmed. Cuneo shared the latest Enrollment Report and indicated that the SEL committee will meet in July and the Strat Plan implementation team will meet in August, all in preparation for the FY17-18 school year. Cuneo also presented the Beginning Teacher Support Plan, which is a state required plan document (as described) and requires Board approval followed by submission to DPI / OCS. Approved (pending clerical changes discussed) – Wagler motioned, Alsop seconded, all approved.	6:40
5	Finance Committee Update	7:10



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Contract approval for Leaders Building Leaders – <i>approved via email in late May, but incorporated in this formal meeting</i> ▪ 2016-2017 Budget amendments ▪ 2017-2018 Budget finalization ▪ Voting on 2017-2018 Budget <p>Rob Watson</p> <p>Keel reiterated in our formal meeting that the Leaders Building Leaders contract was approved via email on late May.</p> <p>Watson reviewed proposed 2016-2017 budget amendments, which were approved – Watson motioned, Wagler seconded, all approved. Watson reviewed proposed budget for 2017-2018, which was approved – Watson motioned, Wagler seconded, all approved.</p>	
6	<p>Diversity Committee Update Policy Committee Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Admissions <p>Makila Scruggs</p> <p>Scruggs reviewed the Diversity Committee report on defining, measuring and sharing the proposed diversity goals, for information only. Determined that a vote would not be necessary until the goals and objectives are defined whereby an amendment to the Strategic Plan would be proposed. Board did provide directional support to the proposed goals of the Diversity Committee.</p> <p>Brief discussion held around the Admissions policy during the Director’s Report – will be re-addressed at a future meeting</p>	7:30
7	<p>Board Governance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board nominations (later in closed session) ▪ Evaluation of Executive Director ▪ Board assessment and evaluation ▪ Voting on board officers for 2017-2018 <p>Lee Keel</p> <p>Board nominations to be discussed in closed session. Keel informed the Board members that the evaluation of the Executive Director was completed in June. Keel began discussion around board assessment focusing on the 5 (of 20) items that scored less than 7 of 8 members support. Reviewed line items – which will be further discussed in the Board summer retreat around Board goals for the following year.</p> <p>Board officers for 2017-2018 – Scruggs nominated a slate of board officers to include: Chair – Rob Watson Vice Chair – Jack Wagler Treasurer – Manish Mittal</p>	7:45



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	Secretary – Katherine Pair	
	Slate of officers approved – Scruggs motioned, Alsop seconded, all approved.	
8	Community Comments (Second Opportunity) Dr. Morris shared concern that the number of students in band has increased as a result of the removal of the strings program, which has some stress on the band program, particularly related to school-provided (school-owned) instruments. Dr. Morris provided a document explaining the matter which was shared with the Board. Toni Hemming said “thank you for your service, you will be missed” directed at departing members, Lee Keel, Renee Alsop and Jen McClave.	8:00

If needed, motion to convene in Closed Session, pursuant to “Permitted Purposes” under N.C.G.S. §143-318.11:

Moved into Closed Session approved – Alsop motioned, Wagler seconded, all approved

CLOSED SESSION

9	Report from Executive Director Jessica Cuneo Cuneo presented new teacher hire recommendations.	
10	Other items (if needed in closed session) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Evaluation of Executive Director ▪ Board nominations <p>Discussed board nominations and proposed selection.</p>	

Moved into Open Session approved – Watson motioned, Wagler seconded, all approved

OPEN SESSION

11	Voting from Closed Session, if needed Approved new hire recommendations – Wagler motioned, Mittal seconded, all approved Approved offer of positions to discussed new board members – Wagler motioned, Watson seconded, all approved	8:30
12	Adjourn Alsop motioned to adjourn, Keel seconded, all approved	8:40