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# Shining Rock Classical Academy

# Minutes

## NEST Meeting

**Date and Time**
Thursday November 20, 2025 at 11:00 AM

**Location**
Russ Ave Campus (2150 Russ Ave, Waynesville, NC 28786), on the gym stage

**Committee Members Present**
J. Sims

**Committee Members Absent**
A. Adeleke

**Guests Present**
Ahmed Aldossary, Joan Stiles, Rachel McFalls, Samantha Stiles

### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Sims called a meeting of the Culture Committee of Shining Rock Classical Academy to order on Thursday Nov 20, 2025 at 11:05 AM.

#### C. Approve Minutes

J. Sims made a motion to approve the minutes from NEST Meeting on 10-16-25.
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

## II. Fundraising

### A. Current NEST Funds

~$800

### B. Bingo

- Doors open at 5:00 PM on February 27
- ~$400 in gift cards and vouchers donated to be prizes
- Maggie Valley Fairgrounds to volunteer their bingo machine and operator
- Prices TBD
- Rachel to try to get a food truck
- Hot chocolate?
- Need more folding tables

## III. Needs

### A. Weekly Volunteer Day

- Going well, getting enough volunteers and work for them to do
- Will continue to improve communication via ParentSquare
- Next is December 3rd

### B. ParentSquare Access

- Josh and Rachel both have the ability to send notifications on ParentSquare now
- Josh plans to send reminders
    - About NEST volunteer Wednesdays on Mondays
    - About monthly NEST meeting on the prior Monday and on the day before
- Rachel to send notifications on other matters

## IV. Celebrations

### A. Christmas Parade

- December 1
- Prepping on November 29th?
- Theme is Santa's Appalachian Toy Workshop
- Main St, Waynesville
- Rachel to ask Mr. Morgan for pencils to giveaway
- Parents can walk along with
- One teacher to ride along
- Exact procedure TBD and will be communicated ASAP

- On that note, Waynesville has historically been slow to announce lineup

### B. Hot Chocolate

- December 18
- NEST to help distribute hot chocolate to classrooms
- Will try to get cups & hot chocolate mix donated
- NEST has Igloo containers for warm water
- Ask Ben Weimar if this complies with federal lunch program requirements

## V. Other Business

### A. NEST President

- Rachel intends to remain through May
- Still looking for successor
- Ideal situation is to onboard successor ASAP

## VI. Closing Items

### A. Next Meeting

January 15 @ 11 AM on the gym stage

### B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 12:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Sims

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**Documents used during the meeting**

*None*