

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

Documents used during the meeting

None