

ALA Board Meeting 11/2019

Location: 283 Harvey Faulk Road, Sanford NC

Members Present: L. Malone, S. Gatlin, A. Fonke, T. Fox

Members Absent: E. Arrington

Non-Members Present: J. Smith (Director & CSP Representative)

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:31pm by L. Malone

Agenda

1. **Approval of October Meeting minutes:** The October meeting minutes were distributed to board members prior to the meeting for their review. S. Gatlin made a motion to accept the October meeting minutes as written, A. Fonke seconded, motion passed unanimously.
2. **Public Comment:** L. Malone opened the meeting for public comment. There were no participants for public comment.
3. **Administrative Report: Reviewed by J Smith**
 - a. **General:** Enrollment is steady at 314 students. We have begun to call on the waitlist in hopes of reaching 320 students. ALA is collecting Impact Aid forms to apply for federal funding for the number of military families we serve. Application is due in January.
 - b. **Mission and Vision:** Mr. Smith shared information about the 7th Grade impaired streams project and the 8th Grade Reading symposium project. J. Smith also shared examples of the 8th grade Digital Media Silhouette project.
 - c. **Student Achievement:** 1st Quarter Report Cards were distributed on November 1st. J. Smith shared the results from the most recent NC Check In exams. Students took exams in Math, Reading and Science and simulate the End of Grade exams while giving teachers relevant progress data.
 - d. **Student Leadership and Character Development:** Project Lead 4 Change has been initiated by Dr. Jett and Mr. Perez as an extracurricular activity. Angel Tree service project has begun and will end with students delivering gifts to the Salvation Army in December.
 - e. **School Culture/Climate:** ALA will perform "A Fairy Tale Christmas Carol" and "The Great Holiday Bake Off" at the Temple Theater on December 18th. Winter Sports have begun and they include Boys and Girls basketball and Cheerleading.
 - f. **Personnel:** ALA is currently looking for School Bus drivers as substitute bus drivers. Individuals will need a CDL license to participate.

4. **Charter Success Partners Report:** CSP sent Board Members the CSP report prior to the meeting. J. Smith then reviewed highlights with board members during the meeting.
 - a. **Financial and Budget Report:** ALA budget numbers are a little inflated as actual per pupil and allotment numbers have not been released due to the lack of a passed budget. CSP staff and J. Smith will give more accurate budget at the January meeting.
 - b. **Extended Services Report:** J. Smith shared the areas in which Charter Success Partners executed the operations services we are contracted for. He updated the board on specific services including Board Member support, Human Resources, Technology Infrastructure support, Community Outreach, Staff Support, and Operations. All services were executed by CSP staff members.

Items for Discussion

1. **Facility Update:** J. Smith shared renderings and floor plans that were to be submitted to city for approval in the rezoning process. J. Smith discussed the results from the meeting with representatives from Schoolhouse Development and BCCG. Earlier this week ALA received a unanimous recommendation from the city planning board committee based on the plans submitted. The City Council will vote on site approval and rezoning on December 3rd.
2. **School Improvement Plan:** J. Smith presented the School Improvement plan conceived by ALA's Leadership team. The goal of the plan is to improve school achievement related to the school's low performance grade from the 2018-19 school year. J. Smith reviewed each action step in the plan and the timeline for implementation. Board members asked questions and provided suggested edits. L. Malone motioned to approve the School Improvement Plan with the inclusion of a few grammatical errors, Seconded by S. Gatlin, motion carried unanimously.

L. Malone made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by S. Gatlin. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm