Corolla Education Foundation

Minutes for May 8, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting

 2 p.m.-4pm

Currituck County Offices, Corolla

In attendance:  President Meghan Agresto, Vice President Al Marzetti, Treasurer Bryan Daggett, Secretary Dee Werner. Via phone: Frieda Harris

Public:  Karen Clark, Aaron Engley, Earl Wheeler

Meghan Agresto made a motion to amend the Agenda in order to allow members of the public in attendance to speak at the beginning of the meeting.  Al Marzetti seconded the motion.  Unanimous approval of motion.

Earl Wheeler and Aaron Engley stated they were there for Teacher Appreciation week and wanted to inform the board that the parents of WEVS wrote a letter expressing their appreciation for the great job done by the WEVS teachers during the current school year, signed by virtually all of the WEVS parents.  Aaron presented a framed copy of the letter board for possible display.  They also thanked the board profusely for providing leadership for a school so greatly needed for the area and shared their personal views as to how wonderful they thought the teachers and the curriculum were.

Copy of letter attached to Minutes

**Presidents Report**

WEVS Performance Review – One deficiency needed to be corrected. Our insurance policies did not reflect the State as an additional insured, even though our broker had always been instructed to do have them and in fact they confirmed that the State has always been a part of the policy, not sure why it was not on the rider...

School report card is now posted on website in both English and Spanish in compliance with North Carolina regulations.   WEVS scored higher than any other elementary school in Currituck County. Bryan recommended that we publicize this so the community is aware of the good results.

Re: Policy barring students from taking mobile phones and similar electronic devices on field trips; parents requesting an exception to the policy via e-mail failed to follow policy procedures for requesting policy exception.  Accordingly, as request didn’t come properly before the board, no exception made.

Teacher Appreciation Week - parents have been providing items to teachers such as lunch, breakfast, treats, presents, etc.

**Treasurer’s report**

Bryan Daggett reported that 5/6/19 through fiscal year, finances are running well.  State draws will arrive in June. No budget categories over budget.

 Bryan provided an overview of projected revenue & expenses for the 2019-2020 Budget.

Bryan Daggett made a motion that the Board adopt the 2019-2020 Budget as presented.  Meghan Agresto seconded the motion..  Unanimous approval to adopt budget.

Teacher Sylvia Wolf joined meeting at 2:38.

IDEA grant application - requires Treasurer’s approval and signature.  Bryan approved and signed grant application.

**Curriculum Committee**

No report

**Grievance Committee**

A meeting with parents lodging complaint will occur this afternoon following this meeting.  Meghan made a motion that Al and Bryan to be substitute for Gerri and Susan, as both are out of town. Frieda Harris seconded the motion.  Bryan Daggett will lead meeting.  Unanimous approval of motion.

Extended School Year - Liz will continue ESY this summer.  WEVS will host a weekly lemonade stand for the ESY for one student to help develop skills in interacting with others.  Bryan suggested including Julie Allen, who has worked with student throughout the year, in this summer program.  Sylvia mentioned that it would be good if Teacher Fennimore could weigh in first on Julie’s participation. Meghan will follow up.

**Teacher Update -** Sylvia Wolff provided the teacher update –

One student still working on portfolio but expected to pass.

IEP meetings - most have occurred.  Others will be completed shortly.

School Improvement Plan (SIP)  - Sylvia presented possible SIP and would like to roll it out in June.  Al would like to take more time to review.  Sylvia would like to start movement on informing parents.  Meghan suggested that Sylvia e-mail it to board and then the board can vote after reading.

Board congratulations to Sylvia Wolf for earning her Masters’ degree in School Administration from UNCW this spring.

No concerns about Peer Learning Communities (Staff meetings/professional development meetings) which continue.

**New Business**

Board discussed pros & cons hiring a part-time school administrator, including possible office space, and possible job description. Sylvia asked if she could make a proposal to the board as to how to handle administration.

New school/chapel cleaner - Kat Fretwell has been retained and is doing a great job.

Karen Clark - asked how Wildlife Center could be more helpful to kids and offering programs.

4:14 Moved to closed session. 4:30 exited Closed Session

Meghan Agresto moved to adjourn meeting at 4:30. Al Marzetti seconded the motion.  Unanimous approval to adjourn meeting. Meeting so adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Dee Werner, Secretary

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Dear Water’s Edge Village School Teachers and Board of Directors,

First, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude for all you do every day for our child(ren). We understand that Water’s Edge Village School (WEVS) is a **choice**. It is a choice that we, as parents, make based on the needs of, and for the benefit of, our child(ren) and family. WEVS is more than just a neighborhood school; it is a place where the foundation of learning is offered to our child(ren) in a most unique and individualized setting, in an innovative and personalized manner. We cannot think of a more perfect learning environment for our student(s) to be in, and we value the flexibility that the public charter affords, and that sets us apart from other school environments.

We know that providing this incredible educational opportunity for our children is not easy. We recognize the countless, tireless and devoted hours given to make WEVS a successful school as it has grown over the years. You have done an extraordinary job managing growth from a dream/concept to a fully functioning school with the needed structure/policies that allow it to operate successfully today. We cannot put into words how much we appreciate the teachers, board members, and many fine volunteers for their work and dedication to the success of our child(ren). We do realize that many of the teachers and board members sacrifice time away from their family and friends to provide this incredible learning environment for our child(ren).

Please know, you are making a positive lasting impression on our child(ren)’s lives and for that we are truly grateful! We are here to support **YOU** in all that you do! In accordance with the tenets of charter school philosophy, we remain committed to be active, positive, supporters of the school and its employees, and partners in the success of our child(ren)’s education.

Sincerely, Parent(s) of…