

Orange Grove Charter School
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 19, 2022

ATTENDANCE:

Mrs. Jennifer Mieras, Mrs. Hayley Webster, Mrs. Shelby Lalli, Mr. John Guerry, Mrs. Amanda Fehr, Mrs. Teyako Woods, Mrs. Dianne Probst and Mr. John H. Clendaniel

ZOOM: Mr. Tad Fletcher and Mr. Jason White
Mrs. Christy Nickolauson, Prestige School Solutions, LLC

Absent: Mr. Steve Arato

VISITORS:

Mr. Steven Schonveld, Principal, middle campus
Dr. Laney White, Principal, elementary campus
Dr. Heather Holmes, Assistant Principal, elementary campus

CALL TO ORDER:

1. Mrs. Jennifer Mieras called the Meeting to Order 6:01pm
2. Mrs. Shelby Lalli read the Mission Statement.
3. Mrs. Shelby Lalli made the motion and Mr. John Guerry seconded the motion to approve the Agenda. Motion approved.
4. Mr. Jason White made the motion and Mrs. Shelby Lalli seconded the motion to approve the April 21, 2022 Minutes. Motion approved.
5. No Citizen Participation.
6. Financial Report - Mrs. Christy Nickolauson, Prestige School Solutions went over the April Financial Report.

- Mrs. Amanda Fehr made the motion and Mrs. Shelby Lalli seconded to approve the Financial Report as presented. Motion approved.
- Mrs. Christy Nickolauson presented the second reading of the FY23 Budget.

7. Chief Executive Officer Report - Mr. John H. Clendaniel noted:

General Updates:

- a. Shout out to Mrs. Kira Shipley, elementary guidance counselor, for coordinating state testing. She is very organized and did a great job planning and executing everything on testing days.
- b. New Parent Orientation is next week.
- c. All employees have been hired at the elementary campus.
- d. Yearbook dedication went to Mrs. Tanessa Fisher at the elementary and Mrs. Martha Urena at the middle for the day to day hard work that they do to keep both campuses running. Orange Grove is thankful to have them both!
- e. Summer Scholar program has almost doubled from last year. Thanks to ESSER funding, staff has been hired and is a five-week program. Students are scholarshipped to attend the extended day summer program.
- f. Teacher Appreciation Week was wonderful and Mr. John H. Clendaniel thanked Mrs. Teyako Woods, PTO president, and the PTO committee.
- g. Board voting is May 31st. Tiger's Roar will send out candidate information for two community members, and five parent members.
- h. A Survey Monkey subscription was purchased to conduct a very comprehensive staff survey. Survey responses were broken down by department/person and shared with those staff members. Feedback will serve to strengthen our programming and efficiency.
 - For elementary non-classroom teaching staff, middle school staff, early childhood (CD – 2nd grade) elementary grades 3 – 5.
 - 131 questions covered each member of the leadership team, administration, guidance, front office, grade captains, curriculum, programs, maintenance, technology.
 - Considering a Survey Monkey for eighth grade parents as an exit interview. Many families have been with Orange Grove for nine years.
- i. Map Testing is complete – Orange Grove tested ten – fifteen points higher nationally!

Middle School Updates:

- a. Shout out to Mrs. Sarah Harrison for running the BETA Club (academic honor society) for 80 plus students that participated.
- b. Eighth grade Semi-Formal Dance is Saturday, May 21st, 7-9pm at Poplar Grove and it's Mr. Steve Schonveld's birthday.
- c. Eighth grade Atlanta Field Trip is May 25th – May 27th.

- d. Mr. John H. Clendaniel contacted seniors at WAHS (West Ashley High School), AMHS (Academic Magnet High School) and JICHS (James Island Charter High School) about the idea of doing a senior walk at the elementary campus.
 - o Graduating OG alumni seniors would wear their cap and gown to walk the hallways as current students would line the hall and cheer.
 - o These were the first kindergarten class in this “new” building and the first class for the middle school.

8. Executive Session:

Mrs. Amanda Fehr made the motion to go into Executive Session at 6:35pm and Mr. John Guerry seconded the motion to discuss contractual matters.

9. Return to Open Session at 7:38pm.

- a. Mr. John Guerry made the motion and Mrs. Shelby Lalli seconded the motion to approve the annual renewal of all contracts. Motion approved.
- b. Mrs. Shelby Lalli made the motion and Mr. John Guerry seconded the motion to renew Prestige School Solutions 3-year contract. Motion approved.
- c. Mrs. Amanda Fehr made the motion and Mr. John Guerry seconded the motion to renew Mr. John H. Clendaniel’s 3-year contract. Motion approved.

10. Good of the Order:

- a. Mr. John H. Clendaniel –spoke about Mrs. Dianne Probst and how she is such positive person. Hard year with hip surgery and a recent car accident, but always so happy and positive. We’re lucky to have her.
- b. Mrs. Dianne Probst – reported that she is healing nicely, God had her under his wings, made her realize what is important and not important. Love and family, love of Orange Grove, love for each other and students. So happy to be a part of this organization.
- c. Mrs. Jennifer Mieras – so happy to have had Mrs. Shelby Lalli, Mr. Tad Fletcher and Mrs. Dianne Probst on the Board.

11. Adjournment:

Mrs. Shelby Lalli made the motion and Mr. John Guerry second the motion to adjourn at 7:47pm.