**Calhoun Falls Public Charter School**

205 Edgefield Street

Calhoun Falls, South Carolina 29620

Minutes for the regular meeting of the Calhoun Falls Public Charter School Board of Trustees

**Thursday, May 25, 2017.**

**PRESENT:**

Mike Brandt, Craig Brown, Lynne Hester, Tracy Lindler, Cathy Payne, Horace Thomas, Marian Tinsley.

Also in attendance were Principal Deirdre McCullough

**Absent**

Dean Cade, Richard Brown

**Agenda**

1. **Call to Order** – Cathy Payne Called to order at 6 pm.
2. **Invocation** – Cathy Payne called on Deirdre McCullough to give the invocation.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Mission Statement** – Statement was read by Cathy Payne
5. **Freedom of Information Act Compliance**
6. **Approval of Agenda**

***Motion*** made by Mike Brandt to approve the agenda.

***Second*** by Marion Tinsley

Unanimous

1. **Flashes Pride Awards**

Taylor Parton – High School

Taylor Prehoda – Middle School

1. **Public Comment –** Alvon Cade presented to the board the need for consideration to change the alternate graduation site for inclement weather to another location. Concerns were stated for the facilities size and inability to provide accommodations to meet the needs of graduation.
2. **Approval of Prior Meeting’s Minutes**

***Motion*** made by Tracy Lindler to approve the minutes as submitted for May 9, 2017, April 20, 2017, and April1 12, 2017.

***Second*** by Mike Brandt

Unanimous

1. **Administrative Updates – Mrs. Deirdre McCullough**
	1. **Board Updates**
		1. **Field Trips – Action Required**

***Motion*** made by Tracy Lindler to accept the administrations recommendation for a field trip for the FFA Officer Retreat to Dillard Georgia for June 27-29.

***Second*** by Horace Thomas

Unanimous

* 1. Financial Update
	2. Status: Charter Revision, Bylaws Revision, Board Policy Revision
1. **2017-2018 School Calendar – Action Required**

***Motion*** made by Mike Brandt to accept the 2017-2018 School Calendar as presented.

***Second*** by Marion Tinsley

Unanimous

1. **Title I Program** – Discussion on the Title 1 program and the program administration. Presented and moderated by Mr. Vanshi Rudropti from the South Carolina Charter School District Office. Mr. Lindler inquired specifically about the procedures required under the Title 1 program for developing and implementing the Title 1 plan. Mr. Lindler inquired as to if the Title 1 procedures and process had been used to develop the Title1 plan restructure resulting in the reduction of two teachers that provided additional assistance in the area of math and ELA – two areas the middle school had scored poorly on standardized test for the last three years. No clear answer was provided.

Established that the Title 1 plan was developed by the Title 1 Team listed on the Title 1 Plan and that all meetings needed to be documented and public notice of the meetings given. Established the Boards fiduciary responsibility was inherent to the schools budget.

1. **Principal Evaluation Procedure** –

***Motion*** to Table the principal evaluation procedure was made by Cathy Payne.

***Second*** by Horace Thomas

Unanimous

1. **Executive Session**

***Motion*** made by Mike Brandt to go into executive session at 8:17 pm.

***Second*** by Horace Thomas

Unanimous

* 1. Personnel Changes
	2. SC Retirement Issue

 ***Motion*** made by Mike Brandt to come out of executive session at 10:42 pm.

***Second*** by Horace Thomas

Unanimous

1. **Actions Necessary as a Result of Executive Session**

***Motion*** made by Mike Brandt to accept the administrations recommendation to hire Mrs. Owens for 6th grade ELA and Mrs. Fastenau for 7th and 8th grade Math.

***Second*** by Horace Thomas

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***Motion*** made by Tracy Lindler to accept legal counsels recommendation to settle employee retirement issue.

***Second*** by Mike Brandt

Unanimous

1. Miscellaneous from the Board N/A
2. Adjourn

***Motion*** by Mike Brandt to adjourn.

***Second*** by Marion Tinsley

Unanimous

Adjourned at 10:57