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CALHOUN FALLS CHARTER SCHOOL

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MARCH 9, 2010 @ 5:00 P. M.

MINUTES FROM THE MEETING HELD ON

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2010

# MEETING LOCATION: CALHOUN FALLS CHARTER SCHOOL LIBRARY 205 EDGEFIELD STREET CALHOUN FALLS, SC 29628

# PRESENT:

Chairman Bert Broadwell, Vice-Chair Dale Gilchrist, Michael Alewine, Kent Bryant, Jeff Ford, Roger Hunnicutt, Benjy Sorrow, and Peggy Lee Waters. Also present was Lori Lindler and Bill Moser.

ABSENT: Deirdre McCullough and Ruby Johnson.

# **CALL TO ORDER:**

Calhoun Falls Charter School Board met in a scheduled meeting with Chairman Broadwell presiding. Mr. Broadwell called the meeting to order at 5:01 P. M.

# INVOCATION:

Mrs. Lindler gave the invocation.

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Broadwell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### MISSION STATEMENT:

Mrs. Waters read the Mission Statement.

### STAND OUT STUDENTS:

Mrs. Lindler recognized the students from the Soil Judging Team who included Will Bass, Tony Gragg, Brian Hall, William Sherard and Scott Sherard, who earned the highest score. Mrs. Lindler stated Mr. Kyle Hatcher is the instructor, he was unable to attend due to a recent accident.

Also present was Mrs. Wilson and the Teacher Cadets, Natasha Sanders, Kia Tillman and Precious Henderson. They are expected to attend at least one board meeting each year.

Mr. Broadwell welcomed the visitors to the meeting.

# BUDGET REPORT:

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Mr. Moser gave the finance report which included the audit from Elliott, Davis.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

Sherri Gragg expressed gratitude for the welcome she and her children have experienced since moving to Calhoun Falls.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Mr. Broadwell stated we have the rough draft of the fund raising brochure for our approval. Also, Mr. Broadwell reminded board members the picture fund raiser deadline is Monday, the 15th. Mr. Broadwell stated we raised approximately \$1300.00 on the last Sunday meal and urged members to attend.

# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Mrs. Lindler gave a report on Mrs. McCullough's behalf. The girl's varsity basketball team received the 1A Coaches Award for Sportsmanship. All region players are Alajah Davis, Kia Tillman and Shakelia Young for the girl's team and the boy's are Jordan Ford, Justin Gilchrist and Austin Turman. Justin Schoenberger of the Index Journal will be at the school tomorrow interviewing a teacher and students for an upcoming article. Plans are ongoing for the Charter School Day in Columbia, five buses will be chartered and t-shirts ordered to be paid through Title 1. Financial Aid Night is February 15 in the Main Office Building, opened to seniors and parents. Financial Aid personnel of Piedmont Tec will be available to offer assistance and answer questions. Scores for the Triple A after school program for middle school students show a 57% drop in math from fall to winter, 36% improved and 7% had no change. In ELA, a 50% improvement and the remaining 50% had either dropped or remained the same. First semester report card data show 14 students consistently in the program with 11 remaining the same and 3 of the student's grades dropped. On the high end teachers felt the attendance of the students played a significant role with improvement in MAP math and ELA. On the low end teachers felt the students attending only 3 days dropped in math and ELA but improved in 12 subject areas and dropped in 10 areas. Faculty conclusion is more time is necessary to further evaluate the positive and negative student gains. No schools in South Carolina made AYP therefore our district is working with the State Dept. to reclass charter schools making AYP more attainable. Gary West with the State Dept. will be at the principal's meeting on February 17 to discuss AYP reports.

Ms. Anna Edmunds asked Mr. Broadwell if funds were available for her class. They go to state and national meetings and raise money to go but need additional help for their trips. Mr. Broadwell stated the board would discuss her request and get back with her.

Mr. Hunnicutt gave concerns of individuals raising money in the name of CFCS but never follow through with donations. Chief Alewine and Officer Hunnicutt offered to check into this issue.

# APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES:

Mr. Alewine made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 9, 2010. He was seconded by Mr. Sorrow. Motion passed.

Mr. Broadwell asked Mr. Ashley if he had comments or questions. Mr. Ashley stated he did have a report of the funds raised at the Sunday dinner in the amount of \$1310.00. He further stated there is 1500.00 in reserve and 675.00 and 200.00 he gave to Mrs. McCullough, separately to deposit to pay for the 501©3. The school will be reimbursed through the grant.

Mr. Taylor came in late from baseball practice to report on the fund raising brochure. He stated he had gathered 4 prices for printing of the brochure, all of which are about the same. The minimum order is 250 and the prices range from \$850 to 1100.00.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Executive Session was not necessary.

### ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Alewine made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Mrs. Gilchrist. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Broadwell adjourned the meeting at 6:37 P. M.

Respectfully submitted.

Peggy Lee Waters

Board Secretary

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