

Richard Hardy Memorial School

Board Meeting Minutes

October 28th, 2021 @ 6:00 PM

Opening Prayer: Chairman Bill Stuart

**Meeting called to order:** Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Stuart. (Board Member Missi Cox was absent).

- Reading of the September 20, 2021, minutes... (Approval/Disapproval): Barbie Blansett made the motion to approve the September 20<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes; Chairman Bill Stuart 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion; motion carried.
- II. Standard Business:

### Principals Report: Sandra Crabtree

- Partnership with Southeast Core to improve instruction and test scores-1-Mathematics; 2-ELA; 1-Composite.
- Celebrated "Red Ribbon" week this week.
- Attending TSSAA meeting on Monday in Knoxville.
- SPED monitoring finished-virtual meeting on Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- ASVAB testing-8:30-11:30, (November 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup>).
- Google calendar is set up for teachers and admin to add events.
- Thanksgiving Break-November 22-26<sup>th</sup>.
- Meeting with students one-on-one-online classes.
- Beginning teacher evaluations next week.

### Financial Report: Jennifer Olton

We have one final payment to pay out to PATH for all our construction that took place this summer. Ms. Olton reported that a final walk-through was completed and signed off on. All other financials are current and up to date.

#### III: Old Business:

**Bids for Historical Building**: Mrs. Webb reported that we only have 1 bid at this time, but Mr. Mullins was getting another one. Chairman Bill Stuart asked that this be reported on again at the next board meeting.

**Special School Tax Increase:** Mrs. Webb stated that she hasn't hear anything back from Chuck Cagle. She will see him at the upcoming TASBO meeting and will speak with him again.

**Cafeteria/COVID:** We returned to having breakfast and lunch in the cafeteria this week. Several of the COVID mandates have been lifted and with the approach of winter, the students were having to stand out in the cold. If we do have another breakout with COVID we will return to breakfast and lunch in the classrooms.

### **IV: New Business:**

**Cell phone policy:** Ms. Crabtree stated that letting the students have their cell phones kept in the classrooms, was not working. She wants to update the original policy to state that students must leave their cell phones in their lockers and not used during school hours. There will be some verbiage from the policy that will need to be updated. Ms. Crabtree further stated that most of her discipline issues are from cell phone usage. Barbie Blansett made the motion to approve the update to the current cell phone policy; Chairman Bill Stuart 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion; motion carried.

**2021-2022 Activity Budget:** This budget basically has the same figures every year, but we did add a Robotics Account. Barbie Blansett made the motion to approve the 2021-2022 Activity Budget; Chairman Bill Stuart 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion; motion carried.

**ESSER 3.0:** Ms. Olton reported that we received bids from Howard for the charging stations, which was the only one. We also only received 1 bid for the flooring in the Historical Building from Lowes. Chairman Bill Stuart made the motion to approve both bids; Barbie Blansett 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion; motion carried.

**Employee Appreciation Dinner:** Ms. Lakey stated that we would have an "appreciation dinner" for all our employees on December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021. We will also have an appreciation gift for everyone too. Barbie Blansett made the motion to approve the dinner and gift; Chairman Bill Stuart 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion; motion carried.

# Trainings/Workshops/Field trips/Fundraisers

## Fundraisers:

The Cheerleaders would like to sell items at basketball games; pom-poms \$3.00, Bracelets \$1.00, String Basketball Bracelets \$2.00, and tattoos \$1.00.

## Fundraiser/Field trip:

Homecoming Dance at the American Legion Hall on December 17<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 8 pm; 9-12<sup>th</sup> grade invited.

### Field Trip:

Seniors/Theater Arts tip to Cumberland County Playhouse to see Scrooge the Musical on December 14<sup>th</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> grade would like to go to Cathedral Caverns in Huntsville, AI on November 5<sup>th</sup>.

All Beta's 4-12<sup>th</sup> are invited to lay wreaths at the Chattanooga Cemetery on December 18<sup>th</sup> (Saturday). They will travel by car and have lunch afterwards. Barbie Blansett made the motion to approve all Trainings/Workshops/Field trips/Fundraisers; Chairman Bill Stuart 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion; motion carried. Next Meeting will be held Tuesday November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 6:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned.

### **Public Comment:**

- Mr. Brannon voiced his concerns over changing our "cell phone" policy.
- Mr. Brannon also asked the question about teaching "Critical Race Theory" in our textbooks.

Chairman, Bill Stuart

**Director, Beth Webb**