

Jenkins-White Elementary Charter School Governing Board Meeting

Office Conference Room

800 15th Ave, Augusta, GA 30901

Thursday, July 30, 2015

5:15 P.M.

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order

Principal Lori Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:21 p.m.

2. Moment of Silence

3. Members Present:

 Barbara Feldman, Vernell Dent

Others Present: Lori Johnson, Tangy Howard, Dr. LaMonica Lewis, Cheryl Davis

*A quorum was not established

4. Approval of Minutes

- Miss Johnson stated that minutes that she had were those dated October 9, 2014
- Mrs. Feldman noted that there had been a November, 2014 meeting. According to her recollection, Dr. Pringle was there and ...
 1. Expressed her expectations for the school
 2. Suggested charter schools for visitation
 3. Stated goals to maintain the charter
 4. Volunteered to train the governing board
- Mrs. Feldman stated concerns about not having enough members for a quorum and that Mrs. Cheryl Fry was the heart of the Governing Board
- Mrs. Feldman led a discussion about the actual members of the governing board members.
 1. Miss Johnson shared a list of names of the governing board that included Rev. Chavas Boyd, Cheryl Fry, Hawthorne Welcher, Cher Best, Paultette Harris and others. Some names had been marked through. Representative Wayne Howard's name was not on the list but Mrs. Dent and Mrs. Feldman

agreed that he had attended regularly until his health failed and still was considered a member.

2. Mrs. Dent and Mrs. Feldman agreed that Cher Best, Dr. Paulette Harris and Minnesota Fatz had been suggested as members, but they had not attended any meetings.
 3. Mrs. Davis reminded the participants that the original members had been approved by the members of the Richmond County Board of Education.
 4. As a result of the discussion, it was apparent that it was unclear as to who were the actual members of the governing board.
 5. Dr. Lewis stated that she would try to find out who the members of the governing board from the school system's board members.
- Mrs. Feldman stated that after Mr. Kelton had gone out on sick leave, Dr. Ashe told Mrs. Fry not to have any more meetings until there had been training for the governing board members.

5. Introductions: Lori Johnson, Principal; Dr. LaMonica Lewis, Assistant Superintendent; Cheryl Davis, Instructional Coach; Barbara Feldman, Executive Director, Storyland Theater; Vernell Dent, Parent; Tangy Howard, Assistant Principal

6. State of the School

- Miss Johnson explained the data of that was presented to the participants in the form of a handout, which included:
 1. CCRPI scores for 2012, 2013, 2014
 2. 2014 CRCT Achievement Results (3rd-5th graders)
 3. 2015 DIBELS Results (K-3)
 4. 2015 mClass Math Results (K-3)
- Miss Johnson shared that Jenkins-White is on the state's priority list for 3 years and is the only elementary school in the district that is on the list.
- Mrs. Feldman asked, what happens to the faculty while on the priority list?
- Dr. Lewis explained some of the options that includes:
 1. Change principal
 2. Change staff
 3. Evaluate teachers properly

7. Recommendations

- Miss Johnson's recommendation for the charter is to let it expire at the end of June. She also stated that some of the changes for the school year includes:
 1. Time schedule—8:15- 3:15 daily
 2. 2:15-2:45 – intervention time

3. Flexible Learning Program—everybody will be doing intervention with the lowest 20% of the students in FLP
 4. Team-building and changing the mindset of the teachers
- Mrs. Feldman suggested that the charter be dropped now. She also stated that the goals of the governing board had not met. The governing board isn't working and most of the meetings were being conducted without a quorum.
 - Mrs. Dent agreed. She is also concerned about volunteers that made promises to the school and did not keep them.
 - At the conclusion of the discussion, Dr. Lewis stated that she would take recommendations to the school board

8. Adjournment

Miss Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Dent seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00