



August 21, 2019 MEETING Minutes

Meeting Agenda

August 21, 2019 @ 6:30 p.m.

Physical Location: VERITAS Community School Library, 2600 Grimes Street

Virtual Meeting: Call in Number: 712-770-5505 Code: 462-901

Mission Statement:

VERITAS Community School empowers the scholar and athlete in every child to excel academically through health and wellness practices within a peaceful environment.

Con lict of Interest Statement:

Each member of the VERITAS Board of Directors has a iduciary duty to conduct him or herself without con lict of the interests of VERITAS Community School. Each member has agreed in writing to comply fully with VERITAS' Con lict of Interest and Nepotism Policy.

Board Roster and Attendance

- Board Members:
 - i. Erika Bowen, Chair ebowen@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - ii. Lee Teague, TeamCFA rep. lteague@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - iii. Tom VanPopering-phone tvanpopering@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - iv. Lindsay Betzel lbetzel@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - v. Ed Ritter eritter@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - vi. Lindsay Betzel lbetzel@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - vii. Catherine Hutasuhut chutasuhut@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - viii. Kristi Opiola kopiola@board.veritascommunityschool.org

- Ex-Officio Members:
 - i. Kim Scott kscott@veritascommunityschool.org

- Board Advisors and Invited Guests:
 - i. Mark Chudzicki mchudzicki@veritascommunityschool.org
 - ii. Lindsea Gore lgore@veritascommunityschool.org

1. Call to Order—Reading of the VERITAS Mission Erika Bowen
2. Approval of July minutes- motion to approve By Kristie, all approve
3. Public Comments
 - Each presenter needs to have signed up and submitted comments in advance of the meeting time, and comments may not exceed two minutes.

4. Financial/ Operational Updates

Mark Chudzicki

- Vote to approve busing contract- Motion to approve by Erika, all approved
- Vote to authorize administration to file title fund application- motion by Kristi, all approved
- Big contract coming with nutrition and school lunch program

5. Head of School Updates

Dr. Kim Scott

Enrollment

- Two forecasts to look at- 87-90 returning students (5/6th grade numbers dropped)
- 58 enrollment packets, anticipating 56 of those kids will attend
- Partial unknowns- no responses; lots of no voicemails or returned mailings
- Forecast 168 total students right now... Tomorrow night is meet the teacher night
- 10 application packets just this week
- Per grade:
 - K: 25
 - Location of the school
 - Transportation
 - 1: 23
 - 2: 25
 - 3: 25
 - 4: 32
 - 5: 17
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 - 6: 7
 - CVMH: Could we brand a middle school transition year for students not looking for middle school?
 - *7/8 grade committed for 2020-2021*
- 180 enrollment target

PTO: ROBYN DIAZ

Staffing:

- HouseKeeping/Grounds Keeping:
 - Able to have half time groundskeeper and housekeeping
- Facilities:
 - Head of Custodian:
 - Union County retiree
- Lee motions to allow Dr. Scott to adjust staffing as needed based on enrollment numbers- all approved

Bethlehem Center

- Slowly moving in,
- LOI signed
- Old contract sent for comments,
- Have requested communication. They have not. Need to send them a letter with timelines on what they need to do and when. Failure to perform needs to be notified

Academics

- 33% pass on math scores, change in curriculum is more rigorous so children are making an adjustment. 3rd graders adjusting to bar model had to make a bigger transition, younger grades will do better because children have already been immersed. Teachers are also trained in the new curriculum and will be able to teach the children better so they will have mastery
- Issue of meeting growth given changes the curriculum

Grants/ Funding

- \$250k grant from Johnson C. Smith to refurbish or build a football field or expand gymnasium

AfterSchool Programming

- Before School: \$3 a day 7-7:30
- After School: \$75 a week for afterschool, \$10.00 to enroll to cover snacks, Fridays start at 12 pm but end at 5:00 pm.
 1. Tweaks on payment and also on parents who may be running late.

Professional Development

- Full day training on mental health
- See Something Say Something Application--rolling it out, how does it work
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Note: The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for:
September 18, 2019 at 6:30 pm at VERITAS Community School

DEVELOPMENT MEETING

MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMITTEE- Follow up conversation in October.

Future Meetings:

Wed Oct 16, 2019-- meeting focus on middle school planning

Wed Nov 20, 2019

Wed Dec 18, 2019

Wed Jan 15, 2020

Wed Feb 19, 2020

Wed March 18, 2020

Wed April 22, 2020 (Spring break on 3rd Wednesday)

May 20, 2020