

Minutes for the Board of Directors Meeting  
Aristotle Preparatory Academy  
2461 Arty Ave, Charlotte,, NC 28028  
Dining Area on First Floor  
Thursday, December 8, 2016  
5:30pm

Present: Demetrious Crayton, Jim Broome, Jason Cole, Jay Ferguson, Porschia Jones-Clarke  
Persophene English, Michael Shumate & David Davis  
Beginning time 5:20pm

**1. Call to Order and Reading of the Mission Statement read by Jim Broome**

Mission Statement:

The mission of Aristotle Preparatory Academy: A Challenge Foundation Academy is to prepare students of all racial and ethnic backgrounds for success in college and to become productive citizens by combining a rigorous STEM focused curriculum with focused character development.

**2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Jim Broome made the motion to forgo reading of the minutes and accept minutes as printing. Jason Cole second motion passed.

**3. Approval of /Changes to Agenda**

Jim Broome made the motion to amend the agenda to add a first reading for Background check to Directors report. Demetrious Crayton second the motion. Motion passed

**4. Public Comments: No Public Comment**

**5. Approval / Vote for new Treasure and Secretary.**

Jason Cole made the motion to elect Michael Shumate as treasure. Demetrious Crayton second the motion. Motion passed.

Michael Shumate made the motion to elect Porschia Jones-Clarke as secretary. Demetrious Crayton second the motion. Motion passed.

Jim Broome informed the board the he would stay on the board.

**6. Reports**

**A. Directors Report**

New Testing Dates will be January 24.

Mr. Davis asked the Board to reviews for first reading of a Back ground check Policy. Not having this policy put us out of compliance with state. He asked this to be on the January Agenda for approval. Board agreed.

Cathy Kinter reported the she is seeing improvement with the students. She has worked with teachers to inventory their material and get items need for core knowledge. She has participated in in class coaching. She is working with teachers to create a curriculum plan. She will be working at APA 4 days a week offering more development opportunities. Demetrious ask if the parent could have a workshop to shoiw them How to do Singapore math.

**B. Staff Representative:**

❖ **November 28, 2016**

State led Professional Development meeting held

1. Discussed items that would be critiqued on employee review
2. Paperwork that needed to be completed and inserted into staff files

Core Knowledge training continued by Kathy Kinter and Heidi Cole

**November 30<sup>th</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup>**

Meetings were held with each staff member to determine intentions for after the Holiday break. This is to assist and lead up to Director Davis' mid-year review.

❖ **Staff Outings are currently being planned.**

We have our secret Santa contest coming to a close soon as well as our "Ugliest" Holiday sweater contest.

- ❖ There has been such a huge interest in the Aristotle shirts that the Staff wears we have been looking at a way to turn this into an opportunity for a fundraiser. Possibly ordering them in a color that is different from what the staff and children wear.

**C. Parent Representative:** no report

**D. Committees:**

- **Properties**

The proposed lease was present to the board. The state Clause needs to be in lease. Once lease is complete we will have an attorney look over it. It was ask to state lease in April. Jason made the motion to go forward with the lease. Michael Shumate Second. Motion passed

- **Community Relations**

- **Grievances:** To discuss in Close Session

- **Finance:** Acadia Northstar Report The anticipated position as of 6/30/17 is \$63331.24

**7. Team CFA Report.**

The conference this year will be only for teachers and administrations to focus on core Knowledge.

**8. Executive Closed Session** (per NC statue 143-318.11 to discuss personal matter.

Entered close session at 6:00pm.

Came out of closes session at 6:35pm.

**Next Meeting Tuesday, January 10, 5:00**