



**Board of Directors Meeting
March 21, 2017**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of VERITAS Community School was held at 6:30 p.m. at VERITAS Community School, 2600 Grimes Street in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Attendance and Quorum:

The following directors were present at the meeting, and their attendance constitutes a quorum:

- Jason Cole jcole@board.veritascommunityschool.org
- Vanecie Delva vdelva@board.veritascommunityschool.org
- Tracy Mott tmott@board.veritascommunityschool.org
- Ramesh Nayar rnayar@board.veritascommunityschool.org
- Faye Bishop fbishop@board.veritascommunityschool.org
- Siobhan Desmond sdesmond@board.veritascommunityschool.org
- Maria Leahy mleahy@board.veritascommunityschool.org

Ex Officio: Katy Ridnouer

Board Advisors: Terrance McCaffery and Matisha Dawkins

Guests: Shawn Blanton

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chairperson, Ramesh Nayar, seconded by Maria Leahy, and unanimously approved by all.

Business:

1. Public Comments: None.

Minutes Approval:

1. Upon a motion by Ramesh Nayar, seconded by Jason Cole, and unanimously approved it was:

MOVED: To accept the minutes taken on the following dates: 1/17/2017 and 2/21/17

Public Lottery for 2017 - 2018 School Year -

1. Shawn Blanton conducted the lottery for available seats for K - 5 for the 2017- 2018 school year. All results will be posted following the meeting, and applicants will be notified within 24 hours via email.

Financial Reports:

1. Jason Cole reported for the Finance Committee.
2. Upon a motion by Jason Cole, seconded by Ramesh Nayar, and unanimously approved: Hiring additional staff for 2017- 2018 school year.

Report Outs:

1. The Board: Completed skills inventory list is discussed and a Committee for Board Members was created.
2. The Board: Upon a motion by Ramesh Nayar, seconded by Jason Cole, and unanimously approved: Siobhan Desmond was voted as Vice Chair of the Board of Directors.
3. The Board of Directors' review, discuss and update Board Committees - Governing, Instructional, Finance, Audit, Funds Development Committee.
4. The Board discussed the committee's role in the Strategic Plan and the committees that will take on each of the strategic priorities.

5. TeamCFA Report and Update: Jason Cole reports: There will be additional TeamCFA schools opening in NC for the 2017-18 school year. A Team CFA office led by Tony Helton is now open in Forest City, NC.
6. Monthly Head of School Report: Katy Ridnour provided the monthly school update as follows:
 - i. Enrollment: Ms. Ridnour reported student enrollment for the 2016-2017 school year and the applications for the 2017-2018 school year.
 - ii. Programming: The first grade wrapped up its Astronomy Domain with an in house field trip, an Astro Lab from Discovery Place.
 - iii. The 3rd graders hosted a Viking Age event to showcase what they learned to each other and parents.
 - iv. House Meetings: STEM activities and more hands on activities have been added to facilitate teamwork and problem solving.
 - v. The Boosterthon: The fun run raised over 20k thus far with some money still being collected.
 - vi. Scholastic Book Fair: A pasta dinner and extended book fair was held.
 - vii. Testing: November 15th new students will be tested to help their teachers best meet their academic needs.
 - viii. Facility: We are on the schedule with the city to complete the permitting process in the kitchen. The chain on the fence by the carpool entrance has been secured so no one can access the property from that road.
 - ix. EC Related Services: DPI found that noncompliance findings identified in March 2016 have been corrected.
 - x. Professional Development: The teachers continue to have PD throughout the month.
 - xi. School Culture: STEM lessons have been integrated into the house meetings.
 - xii. PTO: The Fun Run was a success. The school raised more money then the goal we set school wide.
 - xiii. After school clubs for the Spring start in March with many clubs being offered.
7. Proposed PTO policy for 2017-2018 school year discussed. Katy is making changes and will bring a revised version to the April meeting.
8. Teaching Music and Arts Standards in the classroom. A Monday to Thursday schedule for next year is being discussed to allow for Music, Art, Library, and Mandarin.
9. Moved to Closed Session

- i. Upon a motion by Ramesh Nayar, seconded by Tracy Mott, and unanimously approved, it was:

MOVED: To a Closed Session at 8:40 p.m. to discuss personnel and facility updates.

10. Closed Session Ended

- i. Upon a motion by Ramesh Nayar, seconded by Maria Leahy, and unanimously approved, it was:

MOVED: To end Closed Session a 9:06 p.m.

Adjournment:

- i. Upon a motion by Ramesh Nayar, seconded by Maria Leahy, and unanimously approved, it was:

Moved: To adjourn the meeting at 9:06 p.m.

Meeting Reminders:

The next Board meeting will take place on **April, 18 at 6:30 p.m.** at VERITAS Community School, CFA.