



Board of Directors Special Meeting
Dec 14, 2021
7:00 p.m. (Virtual - Zoom/Facebook Live)

Members Present:

Nolan Perry, Kate Day, Verna Little, Ana Rynearson, Maria Mills (Director), Stephanie Nall (Compliance Director - taking minutes)

Absent:

Daniel Gibson, Kimberly Potter

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm and hosted via zoom by Board Chair, Nolan Perry.

Nolan read the mission statement:

Carolina Charter Academy prepares students for a lifetime of learning by developing their natural passion for discovery and problem-solving. Students are immersed in an engaged learning environment where they develop knowledge-based education to better understand the world around them.

This was a special meeting so no Director's Report, Treasurer's Report or approval of minutes.

Monthly Vote on CCA Mask Policy:

Maria shared results of the staff survey - a majority of staff still want to maintain the mask mandate, at least for another month. Staff are being required to take a COVID-19 test after Winter Break, regardless of vaccination status. Nolan and Maria discussed other schools (such as Southern Wake Academy) that have had to convert to remote learning due to significant positive cases and mask optional policies. From the day to day school perspective, it would be an adjustment for a large number of students to begin remote learning as the structures (for example, fully remote classes/teachers) are not in place. Maria encouraged the board to consider there could be an increase in positive cases and exposure during the holidays as people travel.

Kate asked if anyone could share information from the COVID-19 committee. Specifically, were there any suggestions about how to limit the impact of mask wearing? Maria shared that school

strategies have been to spend more time outside (without masks) and continuing to be aware of student comfort.

Verna motioned to continue with the mask required policy; Ana, Jay, Verna, and Nolan voted to continue the mask requirement until January, Kate voted against.

Public Comments:

Public comments were taken by Facebook on the Board Meeting live feed on Facebook via Zoom. These comments are incorporated by reference.

Adjournment:

Jay motioned to adjourn the meeting, Ana seconded, Kate, Ana, and Nolan also voted to end the meeting and move into a special closed session.