



Minutes

June 21, 2019 –Called dinner meeting-Board & Administration

Welcome – Debbie Clary, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

In attendance: Debbie Clary, Wes Westmoreland, Betsy Harnage, Robert Brown, Shelly Bullard, Becky Sain, Wendy Clary, Angela Brooks, Melissa Harris, Jeff Ziegler

Conflict of Interest Statement In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every board member to avoid both conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict. If any board member has any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the board today, please identify the conflict or appearance of conflict at this time, and refrain from any participation in the particular matter involved.

Adoption of Agenda – Discussion and Approval of New Policy Handbook without objection

Approval of Minutes - Minutes from the June 9 meeting will stand to be approved along with the June 21 meeting at the August 11 regular board meeting.

Public Comments Persons wishing to appear before the Board during this portion of the meeting should register their name and the subject they wish to address with the Secretary prior to the beginning of the meeting. Each presentation will be limited to three (3) minutes. The Board is interested in hearing your concerns, yet speakers should not expect comment, action, or deliberation on subject matter brought up during the public comment segment. Topics requiring further investigation will be referred to the appropriate board committee.

Headmaster Report Mr. Robert Brown presented the headmaster report as provided. The preparation of the 2019-2020 Student Handbook.

Action Items:

2019-2020 Student Handbook approval

Mr. Brown was recognized to present the changes in policy being presented to the board. A policy review meeting was held on Monday, June 17th with the PCA Administrative Team, including Brown, Brooks, Clary and Bullard as well as the PCA Tech Team, Hurdt and Putnam and Board members, Clary, Harnage and Westmoreland. Major Joel Shores with the CC Sheriff's Department was special guest to speak on needs for safety precautions in technology policy. During this meeting, the consensus was to seek tech policy changes that would better serve safety expectations of parents and students and allow teachers to maintain control and focus on education in the classroom.

The tech team revealed data to show an inordinate attempts being made on technology devices on the school server, to reach adult content sites. Adult content sites are those blocked by the tech team in consensus with PCA Administration. Blocked sites include-Adult content sites that can range from shopping for

inappropriate items such as tobacco products to viewing R rated movies to any social media site and much more serious site contents deemed inappropriate. Major Shores advised of many cases of student behavior where answers to test have been shared in the cloud around the room on devices. We have had incidents of sharing test answers on personal devices and school devices, which were caught by the tech team and corrected immediately by Mrs. Brooks.

The tech team discussed new software that will allow teachers to see all activity in the room from their computer screen. If anyone strays from the material being taught during that class, it is noted on the teacher's screen.

MR. Brown presented and explained the new policies in the Student Handbook as derived from the earlier meeting described above. After further discussion of policies being presented, and discussion of software available, Betsy Harnage made a motion to accept the policy with a few minor technical changes in language and to purchase the new software package for better classroom monitoring of tech usage. Wes Westmoreland seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Follow-up discussion for implementation included delivery of the Handbook and dress code for teachers. Parents will be presented with new policy procedures at the open houses at each school. Major Joel Shores will speak to the tech policy changes. The tech team will be there to answer questions. The dress code policy was tweaked to be a friendly read and was to be put online for ease of purchasing new school uniforms. The teachers dress code was also tweaked to encourage professional dress and reminders that the students have a strict dress code . Enforcement of dress code relies on each teacher to report to the Assistant Dean or Dean and to seek correction from parents.

Parents will be asked to sign the Student Handbook , showing a clear understanding of the policies within.

Adjourn; Meeting was adjourned by Dr. Sain and second Besty Harnage.