July 18 Special Board Meeting Minutes

Agenda July 18, 2024, at 5:00pm EST

Preliminary Items

Call to Order – Roll Call:

Roll Call was made at 5:01pm.

Kristen, John P, Scott, Betsy, Eric, Chad, Angela, Pam, Gretchen, Dan, Bassanya, Crystal, Naarah, Carlotta, John K

Action Items

There were no action items brought forth.

Regular Agenda Items:

Financial update from Chad Long.

Chad shared the financial executive summary. It included that higher projected enrollments were driving higher funding and spending. He also added the projection of a Stride/K12 balanced budget credit of \$571K.

Student Volume and Course Utilization.

Key points discussed:

- How can course utilization be tracked and how can students be encouraged to take them
- Courses need to be made visible and accessible to students.
- Tacking should also be used to see if high course utilization has a positive effect and if it should continue to be driven up.

School Leadership Report

Executive Director, Pam Sieger

Provided updates on student enrollment, hiring, staff and community events, the vision and mission statements, as well as the leadership retreat.

Enrollment:

There were 1060 students enrolled in grades K-12.

Hiring:

There were 15 new positions to hire. All elementary positions had offers that were extended.

Staff Event:

All staff members will attend the in person event in Columbia from August 5-7.

Community Outreach:

COA will host the Popsicles in the Park in person event for students, families, and staff in August. It will take place in 8 locations across the state, on the same day, at the same time. There will also be other outings throughout the school year, in different locations around the state as well.

Mission and Vision Statements:

Pam made all suggested changes and is now awaiting final approval from the authorizer.

Leadership Retreat:

Pam suggested that the retreat take place for 2 days at the Woodlands in Summerville. Board members expressed their willingness and commitment to attend the retreat. Some needed to look at their schedules to ensure their availability. Information will be sent to Pam to share times that would work for everyone to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:56pm.