



Board Meeting Minutes October 14, 2022 6:00 PM

The mission of Rocky Mount Prep is to educate, equip and empower each scholar to excel academically by providing equitable learning opportunities and collaborating with families and communities.

Attendance:

Board Members Present

Keen Gravley

Jean Kitchin

Shelton Daniel

Charlie Davis

Board Members Absent

Daniel Harwell

Administration Present

Dr. Chaunte Garrett

Rakia Garner

Breona Walker

Tiara Woods

Nakia McDougald

Amanda Atwell

George Hunt

1. Call to Order

- a. Keen Gravely, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M

2. Board Spotlight

- a. Board Spotlight was led by Dr. Chaunte Garrett. Dr. Garrett acknowledged the Parent Teacher Association and expressed how extremely proud the team is. Ms. Nicole Hunter-Blakely introduced herself to the board members. Ms. Nicole Hunter Blakely stated the next PTA meeting will be on October 19, 2022 for 6pm - 7pm virtually. Next, Dr. Garrett acknowledged Ms. Sharon Barnhill for her beautiful work on the grounds and landscaping of the school.

3. Approval Agenda

- a. Keen Gravely amended a couple changes to the agenda. Keen Gravely stated the election will not take place tonight. In addition to the changes, Keen Gravely stated the Public comment section was added to the agenda. All speakers are allotted to speak for 3 minutes. Keen Gravely continued with the meeting.

4. Action Items

- a. Keen Gravely motioned to amend the agenda to postpone the September minutes. Mr. Gravely also proposed all speakers who are in attendance at the meeting, will be allowed to address the

board before closed session. Jean Kitchin motioned the update. Charles Davis seconded the motion.

5. Current Events

a. Campus Update

i. Dr. Garrett stated the first bonus for returning teachers will be issued this month. The next bonus will be issued in January and the last bonus will be issued in June. For all new teachers, their bonus will be issued in January.

b. Scholar Walk Out

i. Dr. Garrett addressed the board regarding the scholar walk out on October 7, 2022. Dr. Garrett presented the board, scholars, and their families with a powerpoint presentation to address the concerns discussed on social media platforms and various news media outlets. The presentation discussed staffing shortages, facilities, academic performance, extra curricular activities, and Relationships.

c. Next Steps

i. Dr. Garrett confirmed a Feedback Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at 6pm in the RMP Cafeteria for parents, scholars, and team members. This meeting is to address concerns, ideas and hear from school leaders

6. Information Items

- a. Keen Gravely proposed to amend the agenda and include the school improvement plan. Charles Davis motioned the including of the school improvement plan, Jean Kitch seconded the motion. Ms. McDougald discussed the school improvement plan with the board, RMP team, scholars, and their families.

7. Public Comment Speaker

- a. Keen Gravely opened the floor to Ms. Elaine Williams for her 3 minute comment. Ms. Williams spoke about the issues she has concerning RMP. She discussed no wifi within the school, devices the students don't have, the sharing of those devices, teacher shortage, and holding the board members accountable. Charles Davis confirmed speaking with Ms. Williams earlier that day. Charles Davis addressed the parents by stating the parents are going to have to help out. Charles Davis continued by explaining the difficulty of hiring teachers, and discipline in the school system and stating everyone has to pull together. Keen Gravely thanked Ms. Williams for her comment and concluded the public address.

8. Adjournment

- a. Jean Kitchin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Charles Davis, the motion was approved unanimously at 7:05 PM. The closed session was held.