

Tallahassee Classical School

Board Meeting Agenda

June 10, 2020 at 5:00 pm

Virtual meeting held via Zoom

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Per executive authority issued 3-17-2020 by the Florida Department of Education

Board Members Present: All

Staff Present: Aaron Nathan, Adrienne Campbell

Others Present: None

Meeting called to order at 5:08 pm.

1. Approval of the Previous Meeting's Minutes – provided in board packet
Joni moves to approve as written, Priscilla seconds, all in favor, passes
2. Public Comment
🗨️ Aaron (*Facilities maintenance*)
3. Principal's Report
 - a. Leon County distance learning survey
Questions coming in from parents and teachers regarding recent LCS survey, which asked about zoning, internet access, and comfort level with physical school attendance. DOE has not yet issued guidance, but TCS must move forward with planning for the Fall. Pineapple Cove and other FL schools echo concerns. Principal Campbell participated in BCSI school leaders conference today, Dr. Arnn urged familiarity with CDC guidelines and current pandemic data. (Death rate 0.02% and falling). He stressed that education itself is urgent – establishing knowledge and character in young people, prudent to try as much as possible to educate, always within governmental guidelines, and encourage our families to bring kids back to school. Three types of learning: Distributive (all virtual), Hybrid (some face-to-face, some at home), and Synchronous (face-to-face) as a community. Principal Campbell is consulting with Principals who did distance learning to create plans for the different models. (Note: Pineapple Cove kids did packets this year, next year will use Google classroom for older kids and packets for the younger kids.) BCSI schools may partner together to create online materials. We must outline procedures and policies in place to assure parents that TCS is taking necessary precautions to ensure children's safety. (Ref. CARES act – install bottle water fountains, touchless sinks, etc.)
Jennings urges that we refer to DOE policy.

Adrienne will update the Principal's letter on our website.

4. New Business

a. Enrollment Policy –

Language has been updated as follows: 1) child of governing board member changed to child of founding board member, and 2) specific enrollment periods for original 2019 enrollment season changed to refer readers to current enrollment periods posted on the school's website. Priscilla moves to approve the update, Jennings seconds, motion passes.

b. Inventory Policy –

Updated to reflect that the name of Leon County School District must be on TCS inventory labels. Joni moves to approve, Priscilla seconds, motion passes.

c. Fire alarm system monitoring contract – Signal required from fire detection system to fire department in an emergency. Normally sent via phone line (copper) or coaxial cable, but these are not available to our site. Workaround is cellular module with SIM card. Required for our temporary CO next month. Two quotes in packet, JSC and GaFla. Ben suggests inquiring with SafeTouch and the company with the orange sign behind Publix on Centerville.

Jana got updated, bundled quote from JSC with the inspection included, lower than the complete package from GaFla. Aaron asks if we could reduce maintenance to quarterly? Says no reason to do monthly inspection of the fire monitoring system -- Test of pull switch and strobe light can be done in-house monthly. Jana motions to select GaFla for monitoring, Ben seconds, all in favor, motion passes.

Aaron notes that he doesn't think the alarm co is allowed to inspect the sprinkler system – In his experience, a separate fire suppression company does this. Alarm panel must have an annual inspection sticker. (Annual sensitivity test involves smoke puff detection, etc.)

d. Security system monitoring contract – provided in board packet

Jana spoke with Andrew Wellman, who said security monitoring is not required. He suggested that we can have the system dial a facilities person or faculty member, who can then call the police if necessary. Ben notes that police will not respond to an unverified alarm. Designee can send police, but only one false alarm without incurring a charge from police. Redwire, similar to Sonitrol, but locally owned and no franchise fee. Unless someone comes in with a much lower number, should probably stay with GaFla installer. Jana thinks she can get both fire & security monitoring for one \$50/month fee, Jennings confirms this is what his daycare pays for both.

Aaron isn't sure what is entailed with monthly maintenance of the security system. Ben says must maintain the cellular connectivity, establish perimeter, could be batteries that need regular replacement at various points in the system.

Remote reset and bypass certain circuits in system, etc. Ben asks if there is a warranty, Jennings recommends that TCS not skimp on security systems in any way. Ben will negotiate final prices.

JSC also quoted on maintaining the access control system, several board members think \$125/mo sounds high. Fob system easily circumvented.

These contracts must be finalized this week in order to get C.O. by deadline. Jennings moves to allow Ben to negotiate prices on module and monitoring for elevator, fire, and security systems, and execute on behalf of the school. Priscilla seconds. Motion passes. Jana will get everything over to Ben for completion.

- e. Small Business Administration Economic Injury Disaster Loan –
Applied in April, received notice that TCS may be eligible for a loan of up to \$52.8k, at an interest rate 2.75% rate for nonprofits. Ben recommends that maximize the loan amount if approved, Jennings seconds, motion passes.

- f. Bussing proposal –
New proposal received from Tomahawk Transportation for bus services. Noted that CDC recommendations are not binding, State of Florida regulations apply. Board wants to offer bussing, but doing so reduces “Rainy Day fund” by \$13k, in the face of many budgetary unknowns. (Principal Campbell reminds that she may need to hire additional staff, due to learning loss during Covid-19 shutdown and depending on the education model selected for Fall.) The large school population within 2 miles of the school would be ineligible, anyway. Board ultimately must be good financial stewards.
Board opts to stick with industry standards for charter schools and not offer bussing in the first year of operation.
Jennings moves not to offer bussing this year, Joni seconds, motion passes.

5. Upcoming scheduled board meetings

- a. June 15, 2020 – board meeting
- b. July 1, 2020 – board meeting
- c. July 20, 2020 – board meeting
- d. July 30, 2020 – Ribbon Cutting Ceremony 4:30 – 6:00 pm

Next meeting Monday 15th evening, Ben recommends Doodlepoll to schedule future board meetings if needed for additional dates. Adjourned 6:25 PM

\\e-signed by Priscilla West Beckley\\

Submitted by Priscilla West Becklery, Governing Board Member