

**Revolution Academy
Board Meeting Minutes**

July 15, 2021
3800 Oak Ridge Rd.
Summerfield, NC

1. Call to Order

J Nosek called the meeting to order at 18:41.

Board members in attendance in person: John Nosek, John Kreider, Lisa Walker, Elaine Graziano, Jon Brewer

Others in person: Mary Catherine Sauer, Robin Helms

2. Reading of Mission Statement

J Nosek read the mission statement.

3. Approval of Minutes (6.17.21)* - There was no discussion.

A motion was made by J Kreider and seconded by J Brewer to approve the minutes from 6.17.21. The motion carried 5-0.

4. Principal's Report - MC Sauer presented the Principal's Report. There was some discussion about the new phone policy. Students with phones are now required to check them in the front office in the morning, and they can get them back on their way out to dismissal. We will have a file with the phones, students' names, and their signed Device Agreement form. J Nosek asked what the penalty is for having their phones with them in class. MC Sauer said the phone will be taken to the office, and the parent will have to come get it after school. If it happens again, the student will receive detention. The point is to discourage phone and focus on academics.

5. Finance

- a. Preliminary Budget Reports – MC Sauer asked the Board for some guidance on what they want to see during Board meetings. The Bond Covenant states that in 3 years we need to have 90 days cash on hand. The cashflow and the L5 budget reports were presented.
- b. Discussion and approval of Revised Budget 2021-2022* - There was much discussion comparing the old proposed budget for ADM 646 (2021-2022) from January vs. ADM 646 revised budget being presented.

A motion was made by J Kreider and seconded by L Walker to approve the revised budget. The motion carried 5-0.

6. Governance

- a. Discussion and approval of SEL and Health Plan* - This is newly required by the state. It has to be submitted in September. MC Sauer stated that she used ideas from other schools and language from the law.

A motion was made by J Brewer and seconded by J Nosek to approve the SEL and Health Plan. The motion carried 5-0.

- b. Discussion and approval of mask requirement* - The state of NC has left the mask requirement to be up to the local school Boards. MC Sauer would like our Board to be pre-emptive so when the state does act, we are ready with our policy. The Board discussed the low rates of children testing positive and dying from COVID-19. We support parents' decisions regarding mask wearing. The Board put together this statement: "Revolution Academy will impose no additional mask and social distancing requirements other than those mandated by proper legal authority."

A motion was made by J Kreider and seconded by J Brewer to approve the mask requirement statement. The motion carried 5-0.

- c. Discussion of high school plan – MC Sauer asked the Board if they are OK with eventually adding grades 9-12 offsite. We would start in 2023 by adding one grade at a time. IF our other charter schools open, we could give them preference for acceptance. The Board likes the idea, so MC Sauer will start the plan and present it to the Board at a later date.

7. Operations

- a. Discussion and approval of projector quote* - will be paid for out of Bond money

A motion was made by J Brewer and seconded by L Walker to approve the projector quote. The motion carried 5-0.

- b. Discussion and approval of camera quote* - for inside classrooms, side building, front office

A motion was made by J Brewer and seconded by L Walker to approve the camera quote. The motion carried 5-0.

- c. Discussion and approval of HVAC maintenance quote* - the Board agreed we need maintenance 4 times a year

A motion was made by J Brewer and seconded by J Nosek to approve the maintenance quote. The motion carried 5-0.

- d. Discussion and approval of Chromebooks* - the Board amended the original motion to approve the quote to approving up to \$15,000 for additional Chromebooks

A motion was made by J Kreider and seconded by J Brewer to approve spending up to \$15,000 for additional Chromebooks. The motion carried 5-0.

- e. Discussion and approval of curriculum orders* - up to \$100,000 for textbooks between now and October 1

A motion was made by J Kreider and seconded by J Brewer to approve up to \$100,000 for textbooks between now and October 1. The motion carried 5-0.

- f. Discussion and approval of updated Parent/student Handbook* - some changes include percentages for grades, cell phone policy for students, dress code as previously revised by the Board.

A motion was made by J Kreider and seconded by J Brewer to approve the Parent/student handbook updates. The motion carried 5-0.

8. Closed Session

A motion was made by J Nosek and seconded by J Kreider to go into closed session. The motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by J Brewer and seconded by E Graziano to come out of closed session. The motion carried 5-0.

9. Personnel

A motion was made by J Brewer and seconded by L Walker to approve the five personnel discussed in closed session. The motion carried 5-0.

10. Adjourn

A motion was made by J Brewer and seconded by J Kreider to adjourn at 21:16. The motion carried 5-0.

*requires Board action

Principal's Report

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Facilities

Summerfield Property

The playground has been ordered and we have started the process for finishing phase III.

Finance

Budget

We are submitting a revised 2021-22 budget for approval, reflecting some changes we want to make.

Operations

Procedural Changes

For next year, we will start requiring students to check their cell phones into the office for the entire school day. This will hopefully cut down on students using their phones during the day.

Instruction

Accelerated Math Program

We invited over 120 students to take part in our AMP program next fall. In order to participate, students must complete a summer math packet.

Summer School

We have had 20 students attend summer school, which ends on July 30.

Discipline

See discipline report

Marketing

Information Meetings

We will have one or two information meetings this summer. We will schedule more for the fall.

Tours

We are conducting tours every Thursday in July at 10:00 am.

Meeting Space

The Town of Summerfield is using our facility for two more public meetings in July.

Enrollment

Returning Students

We expect close to 94% of our students to return.

2021-2022

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Applications	290	121	92	111	98	96	59	34	901
Spaces	80	80	81	81	81	81	81	81	646
Returning	5	74	50	44	28	54	47	56	358
Open Spots	75	6	31	37	53	27	34	26	289
Wait List	215	115	61	74	45	69	25	8	612

Staff

Positions

We have one specials position open and still have to hire two support positions to fill.

Admin Retreat

Our annual admin retreat will be August 1-3. We have invited the principals of the new schools to join us.

Professional Development

We have professional development days scheduled for August 9-18. We are working on a schedule and the board will be specifically invited to a couple of sessions.

Activities

Mandatory Parent Orientations	August 11-22
School-wide Picnic	August 15, 4:00 – 7:00
Open House	August 17, 4:00 – 7:00
First Day of School	August 19