

**Palmetto Charter School Board of Directors Meeting
September 23, 2020 Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order, Welcome and Pledge	The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ron Witt at 3:41pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance were Debra Woithe, Michael Ameres, Mary Johnson, and Evan Guido.
Adoption of Minutes for August 12, 2020 Meeting	A motion was made by Mr. Ameres to accept the minutes from the August 12 th meeting as submitted. Mr. Guido seconded the motion. All approved.
Audit Presentation – CS&L	Mr. Gerhard presented the 2019-2020 audit to the Board for their review.
Enrollment	We have 3 spots open at this time. We will be full by the time FTE Survey 2 rolls around on October 4.
Personnel Changes – Presented by Mr. Durrance and Out of Field Letter	The Board was given a copy of the Out of Field Letter that will be sent home to all parents. Mrs. Woithe made a motion to approve these teachers that are out of field to continue with the understanding that they are to proceed with becoming compliant as needed. Mr. Ameres seconded the motion. All approved.
HB 641 (Teacher Salary Increase)	<p>Navigating through HB 641 has been one of the most difficult things Mr. Bustle has tackled as a Principal. He recognizes that there are inherent inequities for those with more experience, advanced degrees, etc. Nonetheless, after hours of working through the bill's verbiage and working with a lawyer experienced with HB 641, he presented his recommendations to the Board.</p> <p>Mr. Bustle also made a recommendation to also give raises to those employees that have historically been tied to teacher salaries but did not qualify to be part of the Teacher Salary Increase Allocation. A motion was made by Mr. Guido to approve the allocation of the HB 641 funds as presented. Mr. Ameres seconded the motion. All approved.</p> <p>A motion was also made by Mrs. Johnson to approve the funds from our general budget to be used for those employees that have historically been tied to teacher salaries but did not qualify for the Teacher Salary Increase Allocation Mr. Ameres seconded the motion. All approved.</p>

COVID-19 Update	<p>We had our first hiccup in our middle school with over 30 students and one staff member that had to be quarantined. The health department guided us on how to contact trace. We will be supporting these students the best that we can. The parents have been very understanding and flexible.</p> <p>Mr. Witt questioned how we determined who had to be quarantined. Nurse Patty and Mr. Durrance worked closely with the health department and it was determined that we needed to quarantine (for 14 days) anyone that was within 6 feet of the person that tested positive for more than 15 minutes or more. Mr. Ameres had a parent contact him and ask if this child has a second test that returns negative if all of these students can return to school. Mr. Durrance will contact the health department tomorrow to get more information about this.</p>
Consideration of Kelli Douglas as New Board Member	This was tabled until the next meeting.
Board Comments	None.
Public Comments	None.
Adjourn	Mr. Ameres made a motion to adjourn at 4:25pm Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion. All Approved.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED TO RECORDS OF PALMETTO CHARTER SCHOOL BY CHAIRPERSON, RON WITT.

RON WITT, CHAIRPERSON

DATE

Recorded by Teri Council, Registrar Palmetto Charter School