

The Emereau Foundation
d/b/a Emereau: Bladen
995 Airport Road, Elizabethtown, North Carolina 28337
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Tuesday, August 18, 2020
5:00 p.m.

Minutes

The Emereau: Bladen Board of Directors met in regular session on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

- Board Members Present: Eddie Madden, Chair; Phil Byrd, Treasurer; Maurice Williams, Secretary; Ashley Dowless, Dean Hilton, Sandra Lewis and Board Attorney, David Wall.
- Board Member Absent: Lisa DeVane, Vice Chair
- Administrative Staff Present: Elizabeth Cole, Executive Director; Polly Hancock, Dean of Academic Initiatives; and Wanda Everette, Administrative Associate
- Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. David Wall led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Mission Statement: Mrs. Sandra Lewis read the Mission Statement.
- Conflict of Interest Statement: Mr. Madden read the Conflict of Interest Statement. There were no Conflicts of Interest noted.
- Approval of Minutes: Mr. Madden presented the minutes from the July 21, 2020 meeting. Mr. Byrd motioned to approve the minutes. Mrs. Lewis seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.
- Public Comment: The floor was opened for public comments. No comments were made.
- Financial Report: Ms. Christy Nicholauson with Prestige School Solutions presented the financial report for July. Mr. Byrd motioned to approve the financial report. Mr. Hilton seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.
- Executive Directors Report: Mrs. Cole shared with the Board a thank you card from the family of Sandra Hester West in the death of her father. Mrs. Cole also informed the Board that a group from ECS had come by and toured the school for the Environmental Study required by USDA application. Mrs. Cole presented the high school requirements. Two students are taking the OCS (Occupational Course of Study) courses. Mrs. Cole gave a curriculum update stating virtual textbooks have been purchased for Math, Social Studies and Earth Science. Mrs. Cole informed the Board that there has been one case of COVID 19 reported to the Department of Health and Human Services. (DHHS). Mrs. Cole is working with

Attorney David Wall in preparing a statement to send to parents for a student photo and video release. The Board entered in discussion whether of not to allow staff to wear scrubs due to COVID. It was the consensus of the Board to defer the decision to Mrs. Cole.

Closed Session: Mr. Hilton motioned to go into closed session at 5:45 p.m. Mr. Williams seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Motion to Return to Open Session: Mr. Hilton motioned to come out of closed session at 6:05 p.m. Mrs. Lewis seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Personnel Recommendations: Mr. Madden presented the following personnel recommendations.
Yury Spivey – 3rd Grade Teacher
Carol Blake – 8 & 9 Grade ELA
Rachel Bryan – 6th Grade ELA
Jamie Scruggins – EC Teacher
Rodney Morrison – 6th Grade Social Studies
Kimberly Gore – 1st Grade, replacing Olivia Herring
Spanish teacher – Johana Cashions declined after being approved at the July 21, 2020 meeting.
Mr. Hilton motioned to approve the personnel report. Mrs. Dowless seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

September Meeting: The September meeting will be held September 15, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn: Mr. Byrd motioned to adjourn. Mr. Hilton seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Adjourned: The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maurice Williams, Secretary

Wanda Everette, Administrative Associate