

The Emereau Foundation  
d/b/a Emereau: Bladen  
Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Tuesday, November 12, 2024  
995 Airport Road, Elizabethtown, North Carolina 28337

Minutes

The Emereau Bladen Board of Directors met in regular session on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. Members present: Dan Allen, Chair, Dennis Troy, Vice Chair, Phil Byrd, Treasurer, Dr. Lisa DeVane, Tanya Head and Whitley Ward, Board Attorney.

Members absent were Maurice Williams, Secretary, and Ashley Dowless

Participating virtually were Jack Brown, Prestige School Solutions and Rebekah Barr, CPA PC

Administrative staff present were Polly Hancock, Executive Director, Amanda Garner, Dean of Lower School, Theresia Wright, Dean of Upper School, and Terri Raynor, Dean of Operations

Other staff present: None

Visitors in attendance: None

The Chair, Dan Allen called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Everyone joined in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Allen

Mrs. Garner, Dean of Lower School, read the Mission Statement.

Mr. Allen asked if there were any Conflicts of Interests for tonight's meeting, there were no conflicts of interest noted.

Mr. Allen presented the minutes from the October 8, 2024 meeting for approval. Mr. Troy motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Dr. DeVane seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Allen opened the floor for public comments. No comments were given.

Mr. Brown presented the financial report for the month of October. Mr. Brown reported we were under in Local funds due to County Allocations coming in slowly and over in State funds. When asked about sending funds back to DPI for purchases that were supposed to be made with local funds, he explained that Fund 1 vs Fund 2 - we would end up in the same place. No other findings were reported. Mr. Byrd motioned to approve the financial report for October. Mr. Troy seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Ms. Barr presented the 2024 Audit for approval. She reported that there were no findings to report and that we were in a strong financial position. After no discussion, Mr. Byrd motioned to approve the 2024 Audit. Dr. DeVane seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Garner presented the SIP for approval. She highlighted the indicators we would be working on and asked if there were any questions. After no discussion, Mrs. Head motioned to approve the SIP. Mr. Troy seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Hancock gave the Facilities report. Mrs. Hancock reported that we are still waiting on insurance to give an exact amount. We know part of the doors and copier expenses will be covered but have not received a final amount. She reported that the staff sent thank you notes to the County Commissioners for supporting our new Middle School Addition.

In the Curriculum report, Mrs. Garner and Ms. Wright reported on Student Led Conferences, Instructional Rounds, Math/Science PD, Weekly Data Reviews and discussions on grades vs. data.

In the Executive Director's report Mrs. Hancock reported on Infinite Campus, mid year conferences, lotteries and the staff Christmas Celebration.

Mr. Troy motioned to go into closed session at 6:46 p.m. Mrs. Head seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Troy motioned to come out of closed session at 7:01 p.m. Mr. Byrd seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

Dr. DeVane motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 p.m. Mrs. Head seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Raynor  
Dean of Operations