



MARJORIE WILLIAMS ACADEMY

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Board of Directors' Meeting
Marjorie Williams Academy
Conference Room
January 16, 2024
1:30

Link: <https://meet.google.com/awb-foeg-bhk>

Call to Order: Williams called the meeting to order @1:32

For Action Items: None

For Information Items:

- Welcome back to the board, Cynthia Oates
- Eng II scores 67% - 17% increase from last year
- Austin stated that they had a wonderful tap/jazz mid-year recital on Dec. 18 – They will have a final recital May 23 (tentatively)
- One graduate this year – they will have a modified graduation May 24
- Academic recognition this week. Parents were notified if their child was receiving an award.
- Wednesday Jan 24th for a ½ day workday.
- Austin reminded the board about the Board Meeting Dates: 3rd Tuesday of the month @ 1:30 hybrid
- Board Meeting Dates: all meetings are hybrid. A link will be sent 1 week prior.
 - Feb. 20
 - March 19
 - April 16
 - May 21 (annual)
- Christmas shop a great success! We will be doing a Valentine Shop the week before Valentines Day – Barnhardt will help gather items for shop
- Austin stated the Charter renewal voting on the renewal years has been moved to Feb.5th or 6th.
- Budget –
 - Trial Balance - expenses to date see attached – Burnett questioned the 500% decrease in spending from last year. Austin was not familiar with the column and would report back. Austin reported back that the decrease in spending was due to the COVID grant money running out and those funds were no longer available.
 - Budget Analysis – Budget vs. Expenses – no questions

Dream it. Believe it. Achieve it.

- Austin reported that enrollment was 111 students – residential numbers dropped by 10 over the holidays, which is to be expected. Served 133
- Public Input - None
- Adjourn – Burnett motioned; Barnhardt seconded; all approved – meeting adjourned at 2:07

January

Jan. 1 - New Year Holiday
 Jan. 2 - OWD
 Jan. 3 - First Day 2nd Semester
 Week of Jan. 8 - Academic Recognition
 Jan. 15 - MLK Holiday
 Jan. 24 - ED (11:15) - 1/2 RWD
 Jan. 31 – Make-up picture day

February

Feb. 12 - OWD

March

March 11 – OWD
 Week of March 12 - Academic Recognition
 March 28 – Early Dismissal (11:15)
 March 29 - OWD

April

April 1-5 – Easter/Spring Break
 April 26 - ED
 April 27 - Prom (7:00-10:00)

May

May 13-24 - Testing
 May 23 - Capping/Pinning Ceremony (**pending**)
 May 24 - Awards Day (ED 11:15)
 May 24 - Graduation (1:30) (**pending**)
 May 27 - Memorial Day Holiday
 May 28-29 - RWD

Mission Statement: The mission of Marjorie Williams Academy is to offer *a stable, emotionally supportive, educational environment* for children with a goal of empowering each child *to achieve his or her real academic and social potential.*

Vision: The vision of Marjorie Williams Academy is to become a model school for academic achievement.

BELIEFS:

- Academic growth of all students is the priority of the school
- Students learn best in an environment that promotes student active engagement using a variety of strategies that accommodate diverse learning styles and intellectual levels
- Healthy, safe, orderly and caring environments promote student learning
- Parent, community, and school collaboration are vital to the success of school's mission
- Students will develop a respect and responsibility for community through active participation in service oriented opportunities
- Opportunities and exposure to experiences beyond the school will influence students towards setting positive goals for future
- On-going and meaningful professional development is crucial to teacher growth and ability to provide quality instruction.

- Open meeting requirements: <http://www.dmlp.org/legal-guide/north-carolina/open-meetings-laws-north-carolina>
- Charter schools and boards are governed by the General Statutes, Article 14A.: https://www.ncleg.gov/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/PDF/ByArticle/Chapter_115C/Article_14A.pdf
- Charter School Information: Charter School Homepage <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/charterschools/>
- Governance Board Training Opportunities: <https://www.dpi.nc.gov/students-families/alternative-choices/charter-schools/professional-development/professional-development-resources>
- Charter renewal webinar: Oct. 3 10:00-12:00 sign up link: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=YZyehLvwg026X0tTN2ZM9zZGGFlxAvNPhUfPQn8zKm5UN0tDR1M3WUFKUjgzNkhCSzZGRVIRUDAwTy4u>