



MARJORIE WILLIAMS ACADEMY

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Board of Directors' Meeting
Marjorie Williams Academy
Conference Room
March 19, 2024

1:30

Link:

<https://meet.google.com/aga-frsn-svv>

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

For Action Items:

- **Calendar – Austin reviewed the calendar law and pointed out later start date and total hours. Oates made a motion to approve the calendar and Royster seconded. All approved.**

For Information Items:

- Austin reminded the board about upcoming spring break and the process for dismissal with community students receiving a bag lunch and residential students eating in the dining hall.
- Austin discussed plans for testing – shirts being made, ice cream truck and a pep rally the week before testing starts.
- Rock the Socks – Austin stated that the school will be participating in Down Syndrome Awareness by “rocking the socks” on Thursday. Pictures will be posted on Facebook.
- No graduation at this time – Austin explained that 1 senior went to Penn Foster and another stayed with their home school by completing credits online.
- Austin stated that the Letter of Intent was sent to community parents – all community students indicated they will be returning so the lottery numbers can be determined.
- Austin stated they are updating the lottery procedures and Legacy applicants – sibling applicants of students who have been enrolled for at least a year will be automatically enrolled and not participate in the lottery.
- Austin reminded the board of the next meeting date all meetings are hybrid. A link will be sent 1 week prior.
 - April 16
 - May 21 (annual)
- Austin stated that the Valentine Shop was a great success, and they will have a Bunny Hop Shop this week and next before Easter/Spring Break – Austin expressed her appreciation to Barnhardt for the items!

Dream it. Believe it. Achieve it.

- Budget – Austin discussed the need to watch spending and build up the local funds in case the State is late again next year in passing the budget.
 - Trial Balance - expenses to date see attached – no questions or concerns.
 - Budget Analysis – Budget vs. Expenses – no questions or concerns.
- Enrollment – Austin shared the enrollment was 125 students, but the Academy has served 155.
- Public Input - none
- Adjourn – Williams asked for a motion to adjourn. Phillips motioned and Dellinger seconded. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 1:55.

March

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~~

May 24 - Awards Day (ED 11:15)

May 24 - ~~Graduation (1:30)~~

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=YZyehLvvg026X0tTN2ZM9zZGGFlxAyNPhUfPQn8zKm5UN0tDR1M3WUFKUjgzNkhCSzZGRVIRUDAwTy4u>