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Board Minutes October 23, 2023

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Stephen Schmidt, Member
Sue Patrick, Member
Anna Perry, Member

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James Evans III, Member
Anthony Baham, Member

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Provost at 6:00 PM. Roll Call: Present: Alison Provost, Stephen Schmidt, Anna Perry, Sue Patrick, and Anthony Baham. Absent: Stacey Judice and James Evans. Mrs. Sue Patrick motioned to approve the agenda with a second by Mrs. Anna Perry, with the entire board's approval.

Mrs. Patrick motioned with a second by Mrs. Perry to dispense with the reading and approval of the September 25, 2023, board minutes. There were no objections.

Mrs. Decuir presented the board with her director's update. There are many things happening at V. B. Glencoe Charter School. The fall carnival was a big success, and she thanked everyone for making it a fantastic event for our school. Red Ribbon Week will be celebrated October 23 - 27; there are a lot of activities planned for our students. Trunk or Treat will be held on Friday, October 28, 2023 - many parents have signed up to decorate their trunks and pass out candy for our students. Next week, October 30 - November 3, V. B. Glencoe Charter School will be celebrating homecoming with a kickoff event, Gators vs. Gators, on Saturday, October 28. The instructional leadership team has met and will continue to meet throughout the year. Evaluations from last school year are now completed - the delay was due to waiting on the release of VAM (value-added model) scores; however, now that they are out, all evaluations have been finalized. After looking at the data from the first nine-week grading period, 84 students received a gold card (4.0), 180 students - silver (3.9-3.0), and 88 students - bronze (2.9-2.0). This totals 352 students out of our 499 currently enrolled students. There were 30 students who were recognized for perfect attendance. We have added two additional part-time positions, a nurse and a maintenance technician.

Mrs. Katie Bouillion presented the board with the quarterly financials. Due to unexpected maintenance issues, a significant adjustment was needed. The air conditioning unit in the elementary cafeteria was replaced last month. Additionally, due to weather conditions, 13 units on the elementary campus will need to be either replaced or fixed. In one quote from Ron's Heating and Cooling, our current servicer, the approximate costs were \$92,000 to replace all of the units and \$50,000 to repair them. Mrs. Bouillion reminded the board that the units were almost 13 years old, and even if repaired, we may have other problems moving forward. Additionally, we would like to, if possible, get the units on a fixed schedule so that major repairs and or replacements won't occur all at the same time. Mr. Baham asked to see quotes from other providers. Mr. Stephen Schmidt motioned to accept the

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quarterly financial report, with a second by Mrs. Anna Perry. The motion passed. There were no public comments on this item.

The administrative team presented the board with some options to move forward with the expansion of the high school facility. As we continue to grow, there is a need for more classrooms. We will need to purchase a modular building for the 2024-2025 school year, preferably with restrooms. The building would go alongside the AB wing into the playground area. ESSER money would be utilized.

Additionally, some other options could include (1) expanding the cafeteria outward toward the gym, adding bathrooms, (2) building a cover for the picnic area, (3) building a cover for the concrete pad on the elementary campus, (4) building a gym in the middle field with adequate parking and fencing, or (5) restarting the process of USDA financing for the new building across the street with new plans. Mr. Schmidt made a motion to have Mrs. Decuir write a letter to engage with the Browne family to see what our options were in terms of utilizing the current property, which the family owns. Mrs. Perry made a second. The motion was passed. Additionally, Mr. Schmidt made a motion to have the ESSER money go to the portable buildings with restrooms and four classrooms. In addition to this, he asked for bids on the cover for the back padded area. Mr. Baham seconded the motion. All were in favor, and the motion passed.

Members of the audience voiced their concerns about needing a gym. The facility would allow for the needed practice time for sporting events and practice. Additionally, it would be a facility where the entire school body could meet for events.

Mr. Schmidt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Patrick seconded. All were in favor, and the motion passed.

