



## **AGENDA**

### **Huntersville Educational Options Study Commission**

**February 25, 2019 - 6:30 PM**

**TOWN HALL (101 Huntersville-Concord Road)**

- 1. Welcome and Call to Order**
- 2. Identification of a Quorum**
- 3. Review and Approval of Minutes**
  - 3.A. Consider approving the minutes of the January 28, 2019 Huntersville Educational Options Study Commission Meeting.
- 4. Public Input - *Limited to 3 minutes per speaker, or 30 minutes total***
- 5. New Business**
  - 5.A. Discussion of LEA's. (Eric Houck, UNC Associate Professor of Educational Leadership and Policy and Representative Bill Brawley)
  - 5.B. Discuss subcommittees. (Chair Bentley)
  - 5.C. Legislative update. (Commissioner Melinda Bales)
- 6. Old Business**
- 7. Closing Comments**
- 8. Adjourn**

**Town of Huntersville  
Huntersville Educational Options Study Commission  
February 25, 2019**

**To:** Huntersville Educational Options Study Commission

**From:** Janet Pierson, Administration

**Date:** 2/25/19

**Subject:** Approval of Minutes

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**EXPLAIN REQUEST:**

Approval of Minutes

**ACTION RECOMMENDED:**

Consider approving the minutes of the January 28, 2019 Huntersville Educational Options Study Commission Meeting.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- [012819DraftMinutes.docx](#)

HUNTERSVILLE EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS STUDY COMMISSION  
MEETING MINTUES

January 28, 2019  
6:30 p.m. – Huntersville Town Hall

The Huntersville Educational Options Study Commission held a meeting at Huntersville Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. on January 28, 2019.

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chair Karen Bentley called the meeting to order.

IDENTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Bentley noted a quorum was present.

Commission Members Present: Karen Bentley (Chair), William Farber Jr., Amie Hutchison, Derek Partee, Todd Porter, Jim Puckett, Eric Rowell (Vice Chair), Michael Sass. Bobbie Shields and Carrie Warren entered the meeting late.

Commission Members Not Present: Albert Desciscio and Todd Porter

Review and Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes – December 19. Puckett made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2018 Huntersville Educational Options Study Commission Meeting. Partee seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – January 14. Partee made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2019 Huntersville Educational Options Study Commission Meeting. Puckett seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

None

NEW BUSINESS

Dave Machado Presentation. Dave Machado, Director of North Carolina Office of Charter Schools, presented PowerPoint presentation on charter school application timeline/process, funding sources/breakdown/disbursements, operational constraints/statutory mandates, instructional requirements, operational flexibility, governance flexibility, facilities, accountability, and ensuring diversity.

PowerPoint presentation attached hereto as Exhibit No. 1.

Joy Warner Presentation. Joy Warner, Executive Director and Founder of Community School of Davidson, reviewed the history and operations of CSD.

- Reviewed mission and vision of CSD.
- CSD opened in 2001, obtained charter in 2003 as K-3 charter school. CSD expanded and now serves grades K-12.
- Grades K-5 have a full-time teacher and full-time assistant, with about 20-24 students per class. Classes that have kids with significant special needs may have a third adult. Grades 6-7 have two licensed teachers co-teaching groups of 24 students in the core classes. Average class size of grades 8-12 is 16-20 students.
- Most important job is to find the best educators. CSD teachers have a lot of power and authority in the classroom within CSD's philosophy and mission.
- Have weighted lottery based on socioeconomics.
- Approached two CMS superintendents about operating a school, but never did work anything out.
- Kids learn differently so there needs to be accommodations to meet their educational needs.
- Transportation plan – CSD operates four buses and do cluster pick-ups and drops.
- Offer free and reduced lunch to families who qualify, which are covered through the regular budget.
- Teacher pay is comparable to the state, except for beginning teachers. Beginning teachers are not comparable right now because of the increase legislators gave the low end and CSD could not do that. There is differentiated pay that is associated with responsibilities.
- Things the Town should be most concerned about are finance and budget, special education and leadership.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Update on Records Request. Mr. Roberts noted that CMS has responded to all seven items. There is only a portion of Item 4 that they still owe us.

The commission reviewed the proposed Work Plan and discussed future speakers. Updated Proposed Work Plan attached hereto as Exhibit No. 2.

The commission will have a joint workshop with the Cornelius Educational Options Study Commission on February 11 in Cornelius.

#### CLOSING COMMENTS

None

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.