

**WACO CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2020  
REMOTE  
5:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ben Perry - Local  
Susan Copeland - Remote  
Gary Luft - Remote  
Elizabeth Nelson - Remote  
Judith Benton - Remote  
Stephanie Abright - Remote  
Dytrun Thirkill - Remote  
Howard Childs - Remote  
Charles Eaton – Remote  
Renee Turner – Remote  
Carolyn Cotton – Remote  
Steve Hernandez – Remote  
Billie Myers – Remote  
Robert Brock Jones - Remote

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Cassy Burleson

**STAFF PRESENT**

Dorothy Marstaller  
Nancy Cross  
Madison Shaw  
Cassie Bianchi  
Heather Faulk  
Mandy Barber

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Ben Perry at 5:52 p.m.

**ESTABLISH QUORUM**

A quorum was established

**ORDERING OF AGENDA**

The agenda remained the same.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

This agenda item was tabled.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

This agenda item was tabled

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

The Executive Committee recommends approval of the following consent agenda items; March 23, 2020 WCS Executive Committee Minutes, Financial Report - March 2020, and Board of Directors – Approve February and March Agenda Items, all in favor, motion carries unanimously.

### **School Closure Grading Policy**

Nancy Cross presented that the school closure has made it very difficult for grading purposes. Neighboring school districts have transitioned to the pass/fail grading method. Teachers have been producing curriculum with Google Classroom and creating learning packets. Nancy Cross asked for the Board of Directors to approve the pass/fail grading policy.

Susan Copeland asked if there is any data if students not passing classes has increased. Nancy explained 75% of the students are actively participating and 10% varies on participation. A letter was sent to parents explaining if participation is not seen, then makeup work will be required.

The Executive Committee recommends approval of the School Closure Grading Policy, with the contingency this grading policy will only be during the COVID-19 closure, all in favor, motion carries unanimously.

### **Application to Waive Appraisals for Administrators and Teachers**

Nancy Cross explained WCS appraisals system is done by the TAESS test, Texas Appraisal and Evaluation Support System. There are two rounds, a scheduled appraisal in the Fall semester and an unscheduled appraisal in the Spring semester. WCS was unable to conduct the unscheduled appraisal. Nancy Crossed asked the Board of Directors to approve the Waiver of Appraisals for the remaining of the school year.

The Executive Committee recommends approval for the Application to Waive Appraisals for Administrators and Teachers, all in favor, motion carries unanimously.

### **Gym Relocation Project – Scope and Estimate**

Nancy Cross presented the plans to relocate the gym. The current gym is not soundproof, inappropriate flooring for indoor play, and has not been designed to be a school gym. The Head Start classrooms at WCS will be transitioned into the new gym. The current gym can be turned into 2 or 3 more classrooms. The project would start during the summertime, the project should be completed before the Fall semester starts.

The Executive Committee recommends approval of the Gym Relocation Project-Scope and Estimate, all in favor, motion carries unanimously.

**Principal's Report**

Nancy Cross had a very positive report about her staff at WCS. The teachers have been working diligently to get packets ready for their students. The teachers have been keeping logs of professional development and parent contact. They have done a great job at adapting to the technology needed to get curriculum across to the students. Nancy Cross would like to establish summer learning camps, to help student with reading and math.

Stephanie Abright acknowledged how difficult technology can be and wanted to recognize all public-school teachers for their hard work and dedication to their students.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Executive Session is a standard agenda item and will appear on all governing board agendas.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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Board Chair

Date