# WACO CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETING TUESDAY MAY 26, 2020 REMOTE 5:30 P.M.

Due to COVID – 19 outbreak and Governor Abbott's restriction of no more than 10 people gathering at one location, the May 2020 board meeting was conducted via Teleconference.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT MEMBERS ABSENT

**Ben Perry - Local** 

**Susan Copeland - Remote** 

Gary Luft - Remote STAFF PRESENT

Elizabeth Nelson - Remote Dorothy Marstaller

Judith Benton - Remote Nancy Cross

Stephanie Abright - Remote Madison Shaw

Dytrun Thirkill - Remote Cassie Bianchi

Howard Childs - Remote Heather Faulk

Charles Eaton – Remote Mandy Barber

Renee Turner – Remote Robert Kunze

Carolyn Cotton – Remote Brenda Sanders

Steve Hernandez – Remote Susan Wilson Billie Myers – Remote Debora Jones

Robert Brock Jones - Remote Cassy Burleson - Remote

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Ben Perry at 6:15 p.m.

#### **ESTABLISH QUORUM**

A quorum was established

#### **ORDERING OF AGENDA**

The agenda remained the same.

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Mission Statement will be read by Dorothy Marstaller.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge of allegiance will be recited when the board meets in person.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

The Executive Committee recommends approval of the following consent agenda items; April 27, 2020 WCS Executive Committee Minutes, April 27, 2020 WCS Board of Director Minutes, and Financial Report - April 2020, all in favor, motion carries unanimously.

#### Application to TEA – Waive Instructional Material Inventory

Nancy Cross requested permission from the Board of Directors to waive Instructional Material Inventory. Due to COVID-19, instructional material was sent home with students that would not be returned to the school, due to the spread of the virus. The waiver would allow Waco Charter School to avoid being out of compliance because inventory could not be completed in a timely manner.

The Executive Committee recommends approval of Application to TEA – Waive Instructional Material Inventory, all in favor, motion carries unanimously.

# <u>Application to TEA for Waiver for Missed School Days</u>

Nancy Cross explained to the Board of Directors that due to COVID-19, Waco Charter School was closed March 16,2020, preparing plans, lessons and materials for remote instruction. The Waiver will prevent loss of ADA funding for those days, should WCS fall below 75,600 instructional minutes. The Executive Committee recommends approval of 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 6:30 p.m. Board Chair Date