



Meeting of Board of Directors
 Midlands Technical College, Airport Campus
 7:45 AM- 9:00 AM
 Academic Center, Room AC 115
 October 30, 2014

MISSION

The mission of Midlands Middle College is to prepare 11th and 12th grade high school students for a successful work and educational future through the integration of high school, technical college, and the world of work by providing targeted students with a rigorous and relevant academic program.

MINUTES

WELCOME	At 7:50 am, Valerie Richardson, Chair, called the meeting to order and stated we will hold the board oath until later in the meeting. Two guests were introduced: Dr. Alice Colbert, Dean of USC Union, and Amanda English with Palmetto College (USC). In attendance: Chris LaCola, Valerie Richardson; Ron Rhames; Diane Carr; Elaine Delk; Kaye Shaw; Darold Dantzler; and Carole Fearington, Principal.
PUBLIC COMMENTS	None.
APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Kaye Shaw motioned to approve the agenda and Ron Rhames seconded.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES (August 14, 2014)	Diane Carr made a motion to approve the board minutes of the August 14 th board meeting, with a second by Elaine Delk.
ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oath of Office (newly elected members) • Election of Board officers 	The Oath of Office was administered to the newly elected board members, and the following slate of officers was put forth: Valerie Richardson, Chair; Ben Green, Vice-Chair; Elaine Delk, Secretary; and Kaye Shaw, Treasurer. A motion to approve was made by Darold Dantzler and seconded by Chris LaCola.
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA PALMETTO COLLEGE PROGRAM	Amanda English, Associate Director, Enrollment Services for Palmetto College, and Dr. Alice Colbert, Dean of USC-Union, presented information on Palmetto College, USC's online degree completion program. Amanda also discussed the application guidelines and requirements and emphasized her willingness to work with Midlands Middle College students to connect them with Palmetto College (see attached PowerPoint).
MTC DUAL ENROLLMENT MODEL	Dr. Diane Carr/Dr. Ron Rhames discussed the new MTC Early College Dual Enrollment Model which allows high school juniors and seniors to take at least six college credit hours during a semester and reduce the amount of tuition costs by receiving SC Lottery Tuition Assistance.
BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE, 2014-2015	The board members agreed to move the board meeting time to 8:00 am-9:15 am. Carole will forward the meeting dates to us in a separate email.
CHARTER SCHOOL UPDATE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrollment • Finance • Report Card Data 	Carole Fearington highlighted the successes of the MMC students thus far. Currently there are 97 students in PowerSchool, and 2-5 homeless students and a number of students requiring special services through IDEA. The charter school update (see report) identifies other key accomplishments of the school,

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants Update • College Access/Preparation • Career Access/Preparation • Citizenship Activities • Upcoming Events 	including grants for interviewing skills for students through the Sisters of Charity Foundation.
ADJOURNMENT	Valerie Richardson adjourned the meeting at 9:00 am.

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Report for Board of Directors
October 30, 2014

CHARTER SCHOOL UPDATE

- Enrollment
 - 94 in Power School, October 29, 2014
 - Homeless Students
- Finance
 - Budget/Actuals September 30, 2014
 - Awaiting Charter Implementation Grant Year 1 reimbursement - \$40,000+
- Report Card Data
 - Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) - “No Child Left Behind”
 - Schools receive letter grades (A, B, C, D, F) based upon a combination of student achievement and student improvement on standardized tests such as HSAP and the End-of-Course exam and graduation rate.
 - Schools must have at least two years of comparative data before receiving an ESEA report card; thus MMC should not receive a report card until November, 2015.
- MMC Charter revision update
- Grants Update
 - Sisters of Charity Foundation – grant will expire on October 31
 - Submitted application for 2014-2015 Sisters of Charity Foundation grant (female empowerment)
 - Planning & Implementation Charter School Grant Year 2 - \$75,000
 - Submitted application to Lipscomb Foundation for funds to help pay for tuition for COL 103 classes at MTC (visit by Lipscomb Foundation Executive Director, September 29)
- College Access
 - Eleven MMC students enrolled in fall MTC classes (45 credit hours)
 - Registration for spring MTC classes began this week – 20 MMC students are expected to register.
 - College Application Day, October 9, 2014 – 41 MMC seniors (81%) participated; 35 applications were completed.
 - Eighteen juniors took the PSAT on October 15 – scores indicate college readiness and are used to determine eligibility for National Merit Scholarship Semifinalist selection.
- Career Access
 - Continuation of male career preparation project (Sisters of Charity grant; last phase led by MEBA)
 - Colonial Life Technology Night – 5 MMC students, counselor and science teacher participated
 - SCANA tour of Electrical Operations Division scheduled for 8 MMC students, counselor, and science teacher on November 13
 - Palmetto Health Tour and Information Session for up to 15 MMC students in health science career cluster, December 3.
- Citizenship Activities
 - Art Club
 - Youth Violence Prevention Group
 - Recycle Club (MMC awarded a \$2,000 grant from DHEC to support this project.)
 - USC mentor, Davontae Singleton
- Upcoming Events – included in details listed above