

Board Meeting Minutes - April 24, 2014

Midlands Technical College, Airport Campus 7:45 AM – 9:00 AM Saluda Hall, Room 170

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.

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION
WELCOME	Chair Valerie Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:50 a.m. In attendance: Diane Carr (Vice-Chair), John Barnes, Darold Dantzler, Elaine Delk, Ben Green, Ron Rhames, Kaye Shaw, and Carole Fearrington.
PUBLIC COMMENTS	None.
APPROVAL OF AGENDA	The motion to approve the agenda was approved by Ron Rhames and seconded by Diane Carr.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	The motion to approve the minutes was approved by Darold Dantzler and seconded by Diane Carr.
OVERVIEW OF TRANSFORMSC	Ben Green provided a wonderful presentation on the vision and goals of TransformSC, an initiative of New Carolina. TransformSC, a business-led coalition led by Mike Brenan, Jim Reynolds and Pamela Lackey, seeks to transform public education in the state. While graduation rates have increased, 41% of high school graduates still require remediation when entering post-secondary education. A primary emphasis of TransformSC is to collect "best practices" to provide guidance ways to improve education, including Work Keys and career and college readiness.
REVIEW OF FINAL DRAFT OF MMC ACADEMIC CALENDAR, 2014-2015	The Board approved the calendar, with Ron Rhames making the motion, seconded by Kaye Shaw.
MTC CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS OPEN TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS	Diane Carr presented information on certificate programs available to high school students, including Midlands Middle College participants, including early childhood, entrepreneurship, computer hardware and electronics, and others (see attachment).

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SAMPLE EVALUATION INSTRUMENTS FOR CHARTER SCHOOL PRINCIPAL	The annual evaluation for the MMC principal is due on June 30, 2014. Board reviewed several evaluation tools for the principal of MMC, including the Palmetto State E-cademy Performance Management and Competency Assessment Form and the Superintendent Evaluation Form. Board members approved the Palmetto State E-cademy tool but asked for a modification to include a "360 degree" evaluation for the next academic year. All board members are asked to provide Val Richardson, Chair, comments by May 15 th . A motion to adopt the evaluation model was approved by John Barnes and seconded by Ben Green.
CHARTER SCHOOL UPDATE • Enrollment • Finance • Grants Update - EEDA - AT&T • Upcoming Events	Carole Fearrington, MMC principal, reviewed the MMC statistics (see attached Report for Board of Directors and the Finance Report. Grants received include \$30,000 from EEDA (for each of 3 years), \$10,000 from Bank of America, and \$50,000 from AT&T Foundation. Upcoming events were highlighted and board members were invited to attend any and all activities, including graduation ceremonies on June 6 from 10:00 am to Noon in the Midlands Technical College Academic Center Auditorium.
ADJOURN	The board, upon a motion by Darold Dantzler and seconded by Ben Green adjourned at 9:00 am

REPORT FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Charter School Update

- Enrollment
 - 89 students
 - 135th day count 87.67 students
 - Open Enrollment (March 15 May 15)
 37 students expected to return
 - 32 new applicants who have completed enrollment forms and visited MMC
- Staff update ELA teacher will retire; other staff members expected to return
- Finance See Monthly Budget Report
- Grants Update
 - EEDA \$30,000 approved for purchased services and materials for each of 3 years
 Focus on college and career preparation

Summer Enrichment Seminars

- Bank of America (\$10,000) Received upport for MTC tuition and textbooks
- Student Activities
 - Eureka! Math Play
 - Fundraisers for Junior-Senior Celebration
 - African American Male Leadership Institute March 21, 6 participants
- College Access
 - MTC Tour Industrial Technology Departments
 - Visit to Trident Technical College Culinary Arts Program April 4
 - Visit by University of Alabama Recruiter April 11
- Career Access
 - Career Preparation Project for Males (Sisters of Charity Grant)
 Interview Practice April 2 Richland County Library
 - ASVAB April 25 Designated Students
- Transform SC
 - Professional Development Introduction to Project-Based Learning April 9
 - Overview of TransformSC for MMC Staff April 25 Ben Green
 - ACT Engage all MMC students Week of May 9 Riley Institute
- Upcoming Events
 - Open House April 28, 6:30 8:00 p.m. AC 143, MTC
 - Jr.-Sr. "Prom" May 2 Springdale House and Gardens
 - Parent University May 6, 4:00 5:30 p.m. AC 143, MTC
 - Palmetto Health Job Shadowing 35 MMC students May 6 and May 8
 - Field Study May 21, 10:30 a.m. 3:00 p.m. Edventure or ConAgra Foods, Lunch at 302 Senate
 - Graduation Pictures May 10, 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. Academic Center Auditorium
 - Senior Recognition Ceremony May 22, 6:30 8:00 p.m. AC 143
 - Graduation June 6, 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. Academic Center Auditorium