Walton Governance Board
Meeting Minutes | January 9, 2023

Attendance: Principal Tischler, Neysa Lee, Suzanne Schott, Angela Patterson, Cindy Brown and Chris Jarrett. Meeting was called to order at 4:03pm by Chairman Neysa Lee. November meeting minutes were approved.

1. **Board Business**
   a. Standing Committees have been reinstated. They were previously suspended during pandemic. There are 5 committees: Community Enhancement, Technology and Facilities, Curriculum and Instruction, Human Resources, Goals and Assessment.
   b. Election of Officers will take place at the May meeting.
   c. Board Roles and Responsibilities. Discussed roles, including review and recs on student handbook, communication to stakeholders, attending school events.
      - Annual Board Assessment of Board Performance. Chris Jarrett will take the lead on assessing board effectiveness. Chris will present information at March meeting.
      - Cindy Brown will report on relevant state legislation and school board meetings.
   d. Principal’s Performance. Board will provide input to Asst. Superintendent by 1.17.2023
   e. Nominating Committee. Board unanimously voted to form a nominating committee. Suzanne Schott was appointed as temporary chair. The slate will be presented and voted on at April 10th.

2. **Principal’s Report**
   a. Financial Update/Grants-TKES standard 4 – Walton has been awarded 2 grants. State Grant and Federal grant. Principal is considering several options. Criteria will include projects that best serve the students and community.
   b. Committee Meeting Notes (TKES standard 1,3,5) - Identified areas for need.
      - Facilities and Technology committee recommended providing rolling laptop carts to replace desktop labs.
      - Both Curriculum & Instruction and Goals and Assessment committees identified opportunities for special needs students requiring additional help. Committee brainstormed ideas to help students inside and outside the classroom.
   c. FTE/Hiring for 2022-23. Walton will be receiving teacher allotment numbers in the near future from the County. Principal Tischler will keep the board apprised as more information becomes available.
   d. Charter Renewal. Principal Tischler provided an update on Charter Renewal. It should be headed to Superintendent and on to the Cobb County School Board for approval, hopefully by their Feb. Board Meeting.
      - Reviewed report highlights: Highest graduation rate in East Cobb (97.2%), Content Mastery EOC – only school with 100s across the board in 5/5 of the content areas.
      - Opportunities: Walton Academic focus going forward will be around helping students with disabilities (special education students and 504 Students).
   f. Inclement weather – Announcement of school closing due to inclement weather will be handled quicker. Because students can work through CTLS, calls can be made sooner.

Chairman Neysa Lee adjourned the meeting at 5:02pm