

Lake Oconee Academy Board of Governors

Regular Monthly Meeting
5:30 PM, Monday, November 7, 2022

- A. **Call to Order:** Chairman Michael Tompkins called the regular monthly meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. on October 3, 2022. Michael Tompkins led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Meeting was held in the High School building.
- **Establishment of Quorum/Roll Call:** Governors, Quincy Chaffin, Jennifer Vaughan, Richard Schmidt, Kim Larkin, Michael Kelly, and Sarah Peacock were in attendance. Kristina Jaskyte Bahr attended via zoom. Also in attendance was Dr. Otho Tucker.
- B. **Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes:** Jennifer Vaughan made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 3, 2022 meeting. Motion seconded by Michael Kelly. The motion carried unanimously.
- C. **Approval of Joint Special Called Meeting Minutes with GCBD:** Jennifer Vaughan made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 17, 2022, Special Called Joint Meeting the Greene County Board of Education. Motion seconded by Michael Kelly. The motion carried unanimously.
- D. **Finance Report:** Stella Smith with Prestige, gave the October 2022 financial reports. A motion was made by Kim Larkin to approve the report as information. Seconded by Jennifer Vaughan. The motion carried unanimously.
- E. **Foundation Report:** Denim and diamonds planning is underway.
- F. **Public comment:** There was no public comment.
- G. **CEO Report:**
1. Dr. Tucker presented a letter of intent to renew the charter to be sent to the State Board of Education. After discussion, Jennifer Vaughan made a motion to authorize Dr. Tucker to deliver the letter to the State Board of Education, beginning the process to renew the next charter. The motion was seconded by Kim Larkin. The motion carried unanimously
 2. Waiting List: there are 409 children on the waiting list; 11 are priority students.
 3. Construction Update for the Arts Building: A certificate of occupancy has been issued for the building. Certain of the furniture has been delivered and parts of the building is currently in use. Other furniture has not yet been delivered and is expected to be delivered on November 9. Some additional trim and other equipment is being installed for use in display of artwork.
 4. Dr. Tucker discussed having public meetings for public information. The board directed Dr. Tucker to move forward with setting up those meetings.
 5. Dr. Tucker gave the academic and athletic highlights for October, 2022. Those lists are attached hereto.

6. Dr. Tucker discussed the 2023 Georgia Charter School Conference which will take place at the Westin Buckhead Atlanta Hotel.
7. Dr. Tucker discussed revised dates for the January 2023 and the July 2023 meetings due to their proximity to the holidays. After discussion, Kim Larkin made a motion to change the January meeting date to Monday, January 9, 2023 and the July meeting date to Monday, July 10, 2023. 2nd by Jennifer Vaughan. The motion passed unanimously.

H. Closed Session: Kim Larkin made a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing legal matters. Sarah Peacock seconded the motion. Following the executive session, the Board reconvened. Kim Larkin made a motion to exit executive session. Seconded by Sarah Peacock and the board returned to regular session. No action was taken during or after executive session.

I. Adjournment: There being no further business, Richard Schmidt made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Kim Larkin. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned.

LOA Counseling & Academic Report 2022-2023

November 7th, 2022

****2022 National Merit Commended Scholar****

134/274 48.9% Enrolled in an AP Class

247 AP Tests Will Be Administered

55/274 20% are Enrolled in Dual Enrollment during Quarter 1 (Over %100 increase)

66 Total Classes

3 Students taking Welding at Greene County Career Academy

1 Student taking Cosmetology at Greene County Career Academy

47/274 17.1% are signed up for Dual Enrollment During Quarter 2

58 Total Classes

3 Students taking Welding at Greene County Career Academy

1 Student taking Cosmetology at Greene County Career Academy

College Applications

*57.6% of Seniors Have Applied to College (38/66)

*7.5% of Seniors Have been Accepted into College (5/66)

*95.4% of Seniors are Expected to Attend College (63/66)

Scholarship Applications

8 Scholarship Applications so Far for the Elks Lodge Scholarship

2 PEO Star Scholarship Nominations

HOPE/ZELL

* __/66 __% have completed FAFSA (Opens October 1st)

*56/66 84.8% are HOPE Eligible as of the start of senior year.

*29/66 43.9% eligible for ZELL @ above 3.7 GPA (SAT not factored in yet) as of the start of senior year.

College Athletic Signings (Some Include Significant Scholarship Money)

College	Student Committed

2023-2024 Year 2 High School Counselors

- *Chick-fil-a Leadership Academy is Returning! Dr. Bowling is the lead advisor this year.
- *Virtual and in person College Representative Visits are underway.
- *Financial Aid Night was Monday, October 3rd. Over 10 families were present.
- *Greene County Probe Fair was Tuesday, November 1st in LOA Titan Center. 40 Colleges and around 250 students attended from neighboring schools.
- *Once a week High School/Middle School Advisory is in session (every Friday)
 - Academic monitoring
 - College Prep Education
 - Career Exploration
 - Social Emotional Learning
- *57/67 85% of seniors have had their individual college meeting so far.
- *The Career Fair will be in March.
- *In person College Visits to KSU, UNG, and Georgia College took place in September and October.
- *GBI gave a presentation on digital citizenship in September.
- *Sheriff Donnie Harrison will give an anti-drug & alcohol presentation on Friday, November 11th.



Fall Athletics and Activities Report 11/7/2022

- Cheerleading
 - Competition Teams
 - Middle School wrapped up a great season. Placed second in the State Championship on October 29.
 - Varsity won the Area Championship for the first time in school history on November 5. Will compete at State in Macon on Saturday, November 12.
 - Sideline Cheer
 - Middle school and varsity did an outstanding job cheering at the football games and bringing school spirit to many different events.
 - Middle school and varsity basketball cheer is in full swing.
- Cross Country
 - Middle school finished a phenomenal season. They won 7 meets with additional top 3 finishes.. They won the Northeast Georgia Middle School Athletic League Championship!
 - Varsity finished their season strong. The girls varsity team won the region championship! The boys were the region runner up. Jane Monachello won the individual region championship. Girls finished 9th in the state. Jane Monachello finished 5th overall. Boys finished 5th in the state.
- Football
 - Middle school is having a very good season. Currently, they are 3-2 with wins against The Walker School, Athens Christian, and Lakeview Academy.
 - Varsity has made great progress this year. They finished the season 4-6.
- One Act Play
 - One Act Play won the region championship. They perform at the state competition this Saturday, November 12 at Baldwin County High School.
- Softball
 - Middle School improved from a winless season last year to 9 wins this season! They finished third in the league.
 - Varsity softball went 11-1 and won the Region Championship for the first time in school history! They made it to the Sweet Sixteen in the playoffs.
- Volleyball
 - Middle School finished up their first full season of competition. They competed in a league for the first time and showed tremendous improvement with many great wins.
 - JV also just completed a full season showing great sportsmanship and improvement in many exciting wins.



- Varsity finished 7-3 in the region. They made it to the first round of the state playoffs.
- Basketball
 - Middle school basketball is off to a great start. The boys team started 3-0 in the league for the first time ever.
 - Varsity games begin this weekend.
- Four Region Championships so far!