

**Haliwa-Saponi Tribe Inc. School Board of Directors'**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**May 4, 2017**

Chair Michael Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:15pm.

**Attendance:** Rev. Michael Richardson, Chair; Chief Ogletree Richardson, Vice-Chair Alfred Richardson; LaDonna D. Richardson, Earl Evans, Norman R. Richardson, Roena Daniel; Charles Richardson; Ladonna E. Richardson (arrived at 7:20); Michelle Varian, Principal of Operations; Rebecca Arroyo, Principal of Compliance.

**Guests:** Deborah Charron, Judy Boyd, Kathryn Carter, Regina Stafford, Carol Figueroa, Ruben Moreno, Josep Higley, Amanda Diaz.

A **quorum** was determined. The school **mission statement** was read. A **moment of silence** was observed.

**Approval of Agenda**

Motioned by Charles Richardson to approve the agenda with additions, seconded by Vice-Chair Alfred Richardson. Motion approved by general consensus.

**Excused Absence**

Motioned by Vice-Chair Alfred Richardson to grant excused absence for Vice-Chief Jeff Anstead and Dudley Lynch due to work, seconded by Norman Richardson. Motion carried: 5 in favor, 2 against. Earl Evans voted against the motion due to Vice-Chief Anstead not providing written notification to the chairman.

**Public Comment**

The Board listened to comment from Ruben Moreno. Mr. Moreno expressed great concern for everyone to work together to make the school better.

**Minutes**

**March 16,2017**

Motioned by Earl Evans to approve the March 16,2017 minutes with any corrections, seconded by Charles Richardson. Motion approved by general consensus.

**March 30,2017**

Motioned by Earl Evans to approve the March 30, 2017 minutes with any corrections, seconded by Chief Ogletree Richardson. Motion approved by general consensus.

## **April 6, 2017**

Motioned by Earl Evans to approve the April 6, 2017 minutes with any corrections, seconded by Norman Richardson. Motion approved by general consensus.

## **Academic Excellence**

### **Data Review**

There was no information presented

## **Finances**

### **Monthly Budget Adjustments**

Principal of Operations discussed the budget adjustments which included revenue and expenses. The fund balance will remain untouched at the end of the school year.

Motioned by Vice-Chair Alfred Richardson to approve the recommended budget adjustments for 2016-17, seconded by Ladonna E. Richardson. Motion carried unanimously.

### **2017-18 Budget Approval**

Motioned by Earl Evans to approve recommended budget for 2017-18 with any corrections, seconded by LaDonna D. Richardson. There was some discussion of the budget numbers. No corrections were noted. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Salary Range for Principal**

Motioned by Vice-Chair Alfred Richardson to approve a 2017-18 principal salary range of \$55,000-\$65,000, seconded by Chief Ogletree Richardson. Approved by general consensus.

### **Development Director Position**

Based on the amount of the fund balance Mr. Evans proposes to set aside an amount from the fund balance and that the tribe match that amount to hire a director of development. Motioned by Earl Evans to recommend to tribal council for approval of a development position with \$30,000 from the fund balance and the tribe matching the same amount, seconded by LaDonna D. Richardson. There was some discussion of this motion. Motion failed: 5 against, 3 in favor.

## **Governance**

There was discussion of the removal of the exercise equipment donated by Fletcher Academy. Motioned by Earl Evans to remove the donated exercise equipment to

storage at tribal administrator's discretion, seconded by LaDonna D. Richardson. Motion approved by general consensus.

### **Homebase Opt-in for 2017-18**

There was discussion from the Principal of Compliance on this matter. Motioned by Chief Ogletree Richardson, seconded by Charles Richardson. Motion approved by general consensus.

### **Contract with Acadia for Grant Writing Services**

Motioned by Earl Evans to approve the contract with Acadia with corrections, seconded by LaDonna D. Richardson. Motion approved by general consensus.

### **CSADM Average Daily Membership Projection**

We need to submit our projected number of students for the upcoming school year. Motioned by Earl Evans to approve 170 for the average daily membership, seconded by LaDonna D. Richardson. Motion approved by general consensus.

### **Principals' Report**

Motioned by LaDonna D. Richardson to acknowledge receipt of the principals' report open the floor for discussion, seconded by Earl Evans. Motion approved by general consensus.

### **Closed Session**

Motioned by LaDonna D. Richardson to enter closed session to discuss personnel and contracts after a two minute break at 8:38pm , seconded by Earl Evans. Motion approved by general consensus.

Motioned by Earl Evans to exit closed session at 9:33pm, seconded by LaDonna D. Richardson. Motion approved by general consensus.

### **Actions Out of Closed Session**

Motioned by Earl Evans to approve the language of the contracts for employment, seconded by LaDonna D. Richardson. Motion approved by general consensus.

**(Contract is attached)**

**Announcements:** None

**Adjournment**

Motioned by Earl Evans to adjourn at 9:41pm, seconded by LaDonna D. Richardson.  
Motion approved by general consensus.