



AGENDA

Huntersville Educational Options Study Commission

March 25, 2019 - 6:30 PM

TOWN HALL (101 Huntersville-Concord Road)

- 1. Welcome and Call to Order**
- 2. Identification of a Quorum**
- 3. Review and Approval of Minutes**
 - 3.A. Consider approving the minutes of the February 25, 2019 Meeting.
- 4. Public Input - *Limited to 3 minutes per speaker, or 30 minutes total***
- 5. Subcommittee Reports**
- 6. New Business**
 - 6.A. Community education and feedback process discussion.
 - 6.B. Update on legislation.
 - 6.C. Update on MEAC.
- 7. Old Business**
- 8. Closing Comments**
- 9. Adjourn**

**Town of Huntersville
Huntersville Educational Options Study Commission
March 25, 2019**

To: Huntersville Educational Options Study Commission

From: Janet Pierson, Administration

Date: 3/25/19

Subject: Approval of Minutes

EXPLAIN REQUEST:

Approval of Minutes

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

Consider approving the minutes of the February 25, 2019 Meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

ATTACHMENTS:

- [Draft Minutes](#)

HUNTERSVILLE EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS STUDY COMMISSION
MEETING MINTUES

February 25, 2019
6:30 p.m. – Huntersville Town Hall

The Huntersville Educational Options Study Commission held a meeting at Huntersville Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. on February 25, 2019.

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chair Karen Bentley called the meeting to order.

IDENTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Bentley noted a quorum was present.

Commission Members Present: Karen Bentley (Chair), William Farber Jr., Amie Hutchison, Todd Porter, Jim Puckett, Eric Rowell (Vice Chair), Michael Sass and Carrie Warren.

Commission Members Not Present: Albert Desciscio, Derek Partee and Bobbie Shields.

Review and Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes – December 19. Sass made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2019 Huntersville Educational Options Study Commission Meeting. Warren seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

None

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Erik Houck Presentation. Dr. Erik Houck, Associate Professor of Educational Leadership and Policy at the University of North Carolina, was not able to attend the meeting. The Commission watched a presentation that Dr. Houck presented to the Joint Legislative Study Committee on the Division of Local School Administrative Units on March 28, 2018 on the correlation between school district size and school district efficiency. Slides of that presentation are attached hereto as Exhibit No. 1. Audio of that presentation is available at <https://www.ncleg.gov/documentsites/committees/bcci-6701/03-28-2018/JtLegStuCommLocSchAdmUnit%2003-28-18.mp3>.

Bill Brawley, former member of the North Carolina House of Representatives, explained that a bill would have to come out of the General Assembly to break up Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools into smaller LEAs. It is Mr. Brawley's opinion that there would be difficulty getting majority vote to break up the LEA. Other options are available for the Town (donating land for school, etc.) without taking on the obligation

of funding the school year after year. Mr. Brawley suggested that it would be a reasonable goal to partner with CMS for new schools or expansion.

Subcommittee Discussion. The Commission discussed establishing Subcommittees. Below is a list of subcommittee assignments.

1. Operate a stand-alone municipal charter school – Al Desciscio, Carrie Warren and Mike Sass.
2. Establish a municipal sponsored charter by partnering with a new or existing charter school – Bill Farber, Derek Partee and Eric Rowell.
3. Partner with Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools for a new school or expansion of an existing school – Amie Hutchison, Bobbie Shields and Todd Porter.
4. Feasibility of dividing the Charlotte-Mecklenburg LEA into smaller LEAs – Mike Sass, Eric Rowell and Jim Puckett.
5. Do nothing – Jim Puckett and Todd Porter.

OLD BUSINESS

Anthony Roberts reminded the Commission that representatives from Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools would be attending the March 25 meeting.

CLOSING COMMENTS

None

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.