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*Jake Edwards  
Approved 1-3-17*

Agenda  
HCA Executive Board Meeting  
11/29/2016  
6:00p.m.  
HCA Commons Area

**Meeting called to order** - Mr. Edwards, President 6:03pm called the HCA Executive Board meeting to order. After calling the meeting to order Mr. Edwards gave the floor to Mrs. Scott- Murray

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance** Mrs. Scott-Murray directed the board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation. 6:06pm

**Parent Questions / Presentations** -None -  
**Announcements:**

- Approve minutes from October 25,2016

Mr. Edwards request for a motion for the minute's from October 25<sup>th</sup> meeting be approved.

Motion to approve minutes made by Vice President, Ms. Rye.

Mr. Taylor seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

- Contract for Consulting Services – Dr. Roberson

Dr. Roberson speaks on the consulting contract. The contract has been adjusted from 10,000.00 to 5,000.00 to its current amount of 2,500.00. At this amount, the Executive Administrator does not need board approval for this decision.

**Appoint Director of Instruction** – Dr. Roberson

Sarah Morris knows the vision of HCA. After several interviews, we are excited that we could reach inside our organization for this promotion.

**Reports**

Report on Finance: Introduction: Mrs. Grealish and Michelle Jones of Elliott Davis Decosimo, LLC-  
Board- Treasurer Mrs. Bowman

Mr. Brown: Budget Title 1:

Note the areas where we spent the Title 1 funds

Michelle Jones of Elliott Davis Decosimo, LLC-

Board- Treasurer Mrs. Bowman – clean opinion best result you can get.

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The auditors went over different aspects of the audit with board. One issue the auditors saw was the handling of Daily Cash Flow – This issue is already being corrected in the Administrative office by the signing of the checks policy.

Report on Education: Introduction: Dr. Roberson, Executive Director and Ms. Wheeler, Board Education Overseer

HCA Three Year Plan Educational and Facility Improvement Plan for Student Growth and Expansion and Maintenance of Current Programs that Work. The effective old and new must co-exist. We must build and designing a pre-K through a pre-college academy. It is projected by the year 2030 there will be more jobs than qualified and educated individuals.

*What are we going to look at as expansions and improvements? – Ms. Wheeler*

Benchmark testing so we can reconcile the gap. This way we know what are students and teachers need based on hard data. – Dr. Roberson

RTI is one example of that fits into this scheme.

*Do you know when this will start? – Ms. Wheeler*

Benchmarks are put in place, so teachers can see where students are through data, and teachers will have to be trained – Mr. Edwards

So we will not see anything instant? – Mr. Edwards

Patience is a virtue; we see where we are going and work towards it. In a microwave society, some things take time. – Dr. Roberson

*How do we explain this to parents? - Mr. Edwards*

Teacher /parent discussions, explaining data and having data discussions is going to be critical. – Dr. Roberson  
Bringing that student to the intervention team so a student can get the help they need before the start to struggle to much and look at structured intervention. – Mr. Brown

*Do you have some of this data without the student name that the board can look at? – Ms. Rye*

So, you would say at this point we need to be concerned about this more than anything else, we are in the beginning stages of collecting data. – Mr. Edwards

*Do the teachers know what to do with this data? – Mr. Edwards*

We don't have PD days built into our days but we are working on having someone come in and work with the teachers – Mr. Brown

I love the vision that you are looking forward to, but I would like to get a budget and plan started so we know how and what the budget will be – Mr. Murray

*What do we do while we wait for these data results for these students?- Ms. Wheeler*

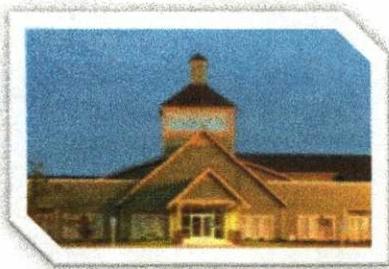
The benchmark program gives instant results. We would have the results in just a few days. – Dr. Roberson

We are in a technology rich society; we can give a prescription to teachers for learning this data. -Dr. Roberson  
Close eyes

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On the count of two  
Whisper the word part  
On two turn the volume up and say the word part  
Turn the volume up and say the word part  
On the count of two turn the volume down and spell the word part  
Spell part in its reverse fashion  
On two spell part in its reverse fashion  
You just woke up some cells that have not been awake in a very long time.

Data  
Teacher training  
Expanded learning  
We want to know where we are in that process that's what puts us first. – Mr. Edwards  
Mrs. Morris as you are benefiting from this discussion wanting us to consider the lower level areas in reading -  
Dr. Roberson

Report on Facility: Board Facility Overseer Mr. Murray

Gym open upped November 20<sup>th</sup>  
Architects say we owe 10,000.00 now that the job is finished.

I would like to see a fence around the property to keep people off the property when we are not here. There are deer stands, and go carts on the property. This is not safe.

ATC meeting with HCA on December 12, 2016, @ 1:00pm at the Midland Valley Prep. Property  
Have you thought about is the hunter on the other side – Mrs. Rye  
It is on our property – Mr. Murray  
I want to be able to lock a gate and keep the property secure – Mr. Murray  
Carolina Bay – November – if it is it would be protected.

Report from Secretary: Jenny French – Schedule report, break weeks, training update.  
There is a Board training at HCA in December.  
There is No meeting in December open to the public  
There will be two ( 2 )meetings in January

Submitting topics: Board manual – turn into Mrs. French

January 24<sup>th</sup>, we will be presenting to Aiken County Board Meeting

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This may be a good time for the board to come to a meeting – Dr. Roberson

We are now going to be moving into executive session, can I get a motion to move.

Mr. Murray made motion to move into executive session

Ms. Rye second

Motion Passed

Executive session

Back from executive session 8:45pm

No vote to be made from discussion in Executive Session

Personnel issue will be handled by Dr. Roberson

Motion to adjourn

Mr. Murray motion to adjourn

Second Ms. Wheeler

Motion Passed

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