

FOCSI MINUTES

Carolina School for Inquiry FoCSI Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2015

➤ Meeting called to order/Welcome

Robert Cox called the meeting to order at 6:07pm

Attendees

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Last meeting minutes were approved.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Treasury Report

\$3278.00 in our FOCSI account

B. T-shirt Bill

The \$707.05 outstanding balance on the T-Shirt has been paid.

C. 100% FOCSI Participation Party

FOCSI will confer with Mrs. Evans to determine a date and menu for her class for their 100% FOCSI participation party. If they select a pizza party, it can be held after lunch on the day of her choice. FOCSI has water available in the supply area.

D. Officer Nominations for 2015-2016 school years

There weren't too many nominations during the meeting to fill these seats. However, the current officers have agreed to remain in their current positions if no other nominations are made. Ballots will be created using Google Drive and distributed to FOCSI distribution list.

The current officers are as follows:

President:	Mr. Cox
Vice President:	Mrs. Grant
Secretary:	Ms. Gamble
Treasurer:	Ms. Johnson

Going forward, the officers will hold these positions for two consecutive years.

E. Recycling Project

The Herby Curbys have been delivered.

The seniors are going on a field trip on May 6th to learn about recycling.

F. Talent Show (04/24 @6pm in the gathering area)

Talent Show Screening was held on 04/09/2015. There were a total of 40 kids who came to participate.

Every child who came out will play an active part in the talent show. Some of them will assist with the introduction, welcome, etc. Some children have been paired into groups doing dance, jumping rope in honor of the jump rope for heart campaign.

Letters went home with the kids on today, Monday, 04/13/2015. It list the child's chosen talent and has a space for parents to sign and return to school.

Talent Show dress rehearsal 04/17/2015 at 4pm in gathering area

We will ask for a minimum \$3 donation to the event for each adult. All donations will be used towards the purchase of Sprouts tablets for each of the Pre-K classrooms.



The children will be given pizza and water from 5:15 – 5:45. Mrs. Johnson will pick up the pizza. They will then come to the gathering area at 5:45pm to get prepared to perform. Mrs. Dixon-Mokeba has agreed to feed the staff since this is a very long day for faculty/staff and students.

Ms. Colter will make a flyer.

G. **Review of By-Laws**

We will review the By-Laws at our next meeting.

Committee Reports

A. **May Fest**

- **Car Show –**

Mr. Baughman announced that there are currently 86 cars signed up to participate in the car show. Registration will begin next week.

He will make electronic and paper ballots available as a voting option.

Voting will close at 12:30 and trophies will be given at 2:30.

DJ Charles will be the DJ for the event and Mr. Baughman confirmed that his music is age appropriate.

The DARE car will be one of the new petrol cars

The CAT vehicle will be here

Mr. Baughman is still checking with the captain about closing the back road for safety reasons and using that space for overflow.

Registration and the DJ will be on the hill and Mrs. Dixon-Mokeba said that power will be made available in that area.

Mr. Baughman needs raffle items (ie. Car items, movie tickets, gift cards, etc.) He would like to do a \$1 raffle and a 50/50 drawing.

The trophies are being ordered. The cost is \$110-120.

Mr. Baughman is still soliciting assistance in handing out trophies @ 2:30pm. Mr. Cox confirmed that they Lyons will be available to assist.

Mr. Baughman did say that they have an event planned at Quaker State on Spears Creek Church Road, the 1st Saturday in May at 6pm. DJ Charles will be the DJ at this event if we would like to attend to see him work.

- **Mr. Butler** confirmed that the church parking lot is available but he would like Mrs. Dixon-Mokeba to speak with someone from the church just as a good gesture.
- **Mrs. Henryhand** is checking with Hwy patrol on their availability and confirmed that they can bring anything kids related.
- **Bouncy Houses** – Nurse Hurt contacted a vendor and reserved 2 bouncy houses for May Fest. They will set up from 8:30 – 3pm.
- **Vendors** – We agreed to continue as planned with vendors @ \$25 per table. We will set them up in the cafeteria and we will provide tables.
- **DP Cooper** band will be on sight
- **Silent Auction** - Ms. Gamble will create a flyer to distribute to teachers about the silent auction and asking for themed baskets for this event.
- **Advertisement** - Mr. Butler wanted to confirm that we are advertising this event as much as possible to make it a success.

We need to have signs placed at the fire department and other places in the community, advertise on the radio, in the newspapers, free times, our website and Facebook pages. It would be a great idea to have someone attend the neighborhood meetings and make the announcement. Advertise at CIU and Benedict and also solicit volunteers at those locations.

Mrs. Dixon-Mokeba asked Councilmen Rush and McKetcheon to come and present any item or topic they would like to bring to the community.

- **Food** – Other than the fish fry, other food on the menu will include hotdogs, water, Gatorade, candy, chips, etc.

Mrs. Johnson will check to see if she can get a donation from Foodlion. Other FOCSI members will solicit assistance from other places as well like the Coca Cola company.

- **Volunteers** – All FOCSI members should ask a few people to come out and volunteer at this event. We will need people to assist with the games, serving food, etc.

B. **Teacher Appreciation**

Teachers appreciation days are from May 4 – 8th. And back by popular demand will be lunch from Miyo's in Irmo.

C. **Book Fair**

The book fair surpassed our expectations. The CSI family really came through and made this a success. We doubled our goals.

Because of our success, we have been able to arranged with Scholastic to have our book fair during the week of Read Across America for the 2015-2016 school year. In addition, we can choose they type of fair we want to provide.

New Business

Book Donation

The CSI media center received a huge book donation from Mr. Luther Holmes. CSI and the Media Center would like to express our appreciation to Mr. Holmes for this donation. The books are being reviewed by Mr. Cox and will soon be available for display at the CSI media center.

Principal's Report

SC Charter School Day

Tuesday, April 21, 2015 is SC Charter School Day. We will visit the State House where Mrs. Dixon-Mokeba will speak and one CSI student will sing a song in Mandarin.

CSI Students will be asked to make signs telling why CSI is so special.

Buses (paid for by proceeds of the Applebee's Pancake Breakfast) will leave school @ 10:30am. They will have bag lunches available. Chick-fil-a sandwiches will be provided at the State House. Then they will have snacks that afternoon.

The Rally begins at 11:30am

All students will get a t-shirt. Mrs. Dixon-Mokeba is asking volunteers to come help count t-shirts and parents to attend in support of our school.

You can visit Public Schools Options and find Project Capital.

The students will go to Findley Park that afternoon.

Communication

Mrs. Dixon-Mokeba will consider offering paper communications in lieu of emailed communication for the individuals who don't check emails as often as others.

Announcements

NEXT MEETING

April 27, 2015, CSI, Media Center (Discuss May Fest) – Another meeting may be planned as needed.

Regularly scheduled meeting is May 11, 2015

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:18pm

Friends of Carolina School for Inquiry Staff Participation 2014-2015

December	January	February	March	April	May
<u>Movie Night (12)</u> White Lowe Sistare Pinnell	<u>Game Night (30)</u> White Evans Hobbs Mathis DiFronzo Dixon-Mokeba	<u>Movie Night (27)</u> Steele Peele Sistare Dixon-Mokeba Jeffers	<u>Game Night (20)</u> Sawyer Peele Evans Hobbs Dixon-Mokeba	<u>Talent Show (24)</u> Mathis A. Greene McDonald Dixon-Mokeba	
<u>Meeting (15)</u> Hurt Dixon-Mokeba	<u>Meeting (12)</u> Hurt Sawyer White Evans Pinnell Dixon-Mokeba	<u>Meeting (9)</u> Hurt Evans Dixon-Mokeba Jeffers	<u>Meeting (9)</u> Hurt Steele White Mathis Dixon-Mokeba	<u>Meeting (13)</u> Hurt Evans Hodges Dixon-Mokeba A. Greene McDonald	<u>Meeting (11)</u> Hurt Steele Lowe Hodges Dixon-Mokeba

Other: May fest – May 16, 2015

Membership: \$10.00

Movie/Game Nights are from 6 – 8 p.m. in the Gathering Area

Meetings are at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center