



Board Meeting Minutes

MEETING INFORMATION

Date:	November 14, 2012
Time:	7:00pm
Location:	Renaissance Academy, 3435 North 1120 East, Lehi, UT. 1 st floor in the Rousseau (southwest corner classroom)
Next Meeting:	

ATTENDEE INFORMATION

Board Members		Invited Guests	
Attended	Name	Attended	Name
x	Carolyn Bayly	x	Matt Lovell
x	Mariah Fralick	Public in Attendance	
x	Ryan Hunter	Attended	Name
x	Heather Miller	x	Jen Taylor
	Cameron Sabin	x	Corey Larson
	Chris Wareham	x	Mindy Taylor
x	Mark Ursic – Executive Director		
x	Emily Simons – Executive Assistant		

MOTIONS AND APPROVALS

#	Motion made by	Motion	Vote
1	Heather	Motion to approve minutes from September 26 board meeting.	Mariah seconded. All voted in favor.
2	Heather	Motion to approve minutes from October 24 board meeting.	Mariah seconded. All voted in favor.
3	Mariah	Motion to add “Play, Wonder, Explore, Serve” to the charter.	Heather seconded. All voted in favor apart from Ryan who abstained.
4	Mariah	Motion to approve the effectiveness goals as edited.	Heather seconded. All voted in favor.
5	Mariah	Motion to table #1 in Items of Business, compare numbers from last year’s budget with this year.	Heather seconded. All voted in favor.
6	Ryan	Motion to go to closed session.	Mariah seconded. All voted in favor by name: Ryan, yes; Mariah, yes; Carolyn, yes; Heather, yes.
7	Ryan	Motion to close the meeting.	Heather seconded. All voted in favor by name: Ryan, yes; Heather, yes; Carolyn, yes; Mariah, yes.

TIME	TOPIC/SUBJECT DISCUSSION
7:06 pm	Welcome. Carolyn brought the meeting to order.
7:09 pm	Red Apple Update. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Local revenue is higher than originally forecasted. - A little high in postage. - The areas that are high are projects that were done earlier and are now complete. However, we did go over the budget so we will need to up the forecast for the next year so that we don't go over. - The audit is finished. Matt looked at what they sent him and it looks good. There were no findings.
7:28 pm	Contingency plan for Executive Director. This will be discussed at the January board meeting.
7:30 pm	Differentiated Learning Update. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All grades K-6 have standardized with the exception of 3rd grade who are leveling within their own classrooms. - It would be good to have a representative from that group to give the board some information about what they're doing. Mark would like every grade to be leveling like this. - This year they have it all worked out so they are rotating on the frequency that they put on the spreadsheet.
7:38 pm	Schoolhouse Executive Committee Update. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The committee chairs are really engaged. - It has raised a number of issues that if they were all sitting on one person's desk, they are hard to prioritize. But having people over certain areas, there can be more focus. - Proposing to have the mentoring group get together once a week and have the new teachers come together to work on particular topics. We still need some direction from the state on this. - One thing that we need to finalize is the comprehensive behavior plan.
7:50 pm	One of the most critical things we are facing right now is licensing. All of the licensing in CACTUS needs to be uploaded tomorrow. There are some teachers that have to be level 2 by the end of the school year. They can start that process in January and they have been notified how to do that.
7:58 pm	Motion. Heather made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 26 Board meeting. Mariah seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
	Motion. Heather made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 24 Board meeting. Mariah seconded the motion. All voted in favor. There was one correction made to the minutes, prior to the motion that Chris Wareham left during the closed session.
8:00 pm	Charter Amendment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A few weeks ago a revised version of the charter was sent to Marlies Burns at the state for comments. She sent back a few edits which the Board made. - The Board went through the new changes that had been made. The biggest change was in the effectiveness goals. - The Board worked with Jen Taylor to come up with a good goal for science. - Mariah suggested adding "Play, Wonder, Explore, Serve" to the motto in the charter, since it is already widely known.
8:36 pm	Motion. Mariah made a motion to add "Play, Wonder, Explore, Serve" to the motto in the charter. Heather seconded the motion. All voted in favor apart from Ryan who abstained.
8:38 pm	Motion. Mariah made a motion to approve the effectiveness goals as proposed. Heather seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

8:40 pm	<p>Enrollment Numbers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There was an open discussion on ideas of what we can do to keep the 37 in 8th grade and increase these numbers. - Class fair? Some things that we can offer. Figure out what they want to learn about. How do we sell 9th grade to these kids? - Last year we brought in the kids and their families who left last year. They filled out some surveys just to get an idea of why they changed schools. Within the students, the number one reason was that their friends were leaving. The second biggest reason was about course offerings. - A big thing was they wanted a good counselor that would help prepare them for high school. <p>A number of ideas were suggested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sports – even if it’s just intramurals. - If students have testing in the morning and then lunch and then have parents come in and talk about different careers. Then students can ask the parents what kind of schooling they did, or what they did to prepare to get to that job. The kids would choose a number of jobs they find interesting and only go to those ones rather than all of them. - Testimonials of the middle schoolers on youtube.com. - Middle School Talent show put on for the elementary school. - Annual service project. - More assemblies – having great people from our community come and tell their story. - For kids who are turning the corner and doing really well, send them a letter and tell them they have won a lunch with Mark/a teacher/a Board Member. Take a picture and send it to them later.
9:21 pm	<p>Motion. Mariah made a motion to table the first item of business on the agenda, comparing numbers from last year’s budget with this year. Heather seconded the motion. All voted in favor.</p>
9:22 pm	<p>Inventory process for schoolhouse.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We would have to define that -
9:36 pm	<p>Board Training Accountability Update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carolyn asked that everyone try and get the training done by the end of the year.
9:38 pm	<p>Motion. Ryan made a motion to go to closed session. “A closed meeting described under Section 52-4-204 will be held for: (a) a discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.” Mariah seconded the motion. All voted in favor by name. Ryan Hunter, yes; Mariah Fralick, yes; Carolyn Bayly, yes; Heather Miller, yes.</p>
9:56 pm	<p>Meeting brought back into open session.</p> <p>Motion. Ryan made a motion to close the meeting. Heather seconded the motion. All voted in favor by name: Ryan, yes; Heather, yes; Carolyn, yes; Mariah, yes.</p>