CLC Board Meeting Minutes 9/28/2000

Theresa, MJ Hogan, Ann Bolser, Glenn, Kate Kisenwether, Liz Kisenwether, Susan Egolf, Tom Ryan, Laurie Perman, Diane Lehman, Josephine, Mark, Kathryn, Jalynn, Sally Driscoll, Katy Cleary, Lisa Sharfstein, Lynn Parker-Klees, Dan Klees

I. Approval of the Minutes

• The minutes from the previous meeting were not approved.

II. Personnel

• Consensus was gained for Glenn to assume the new CAO position for the school.

Lisa Sharfstein was elected at the new Teacher Representative.

Student representatives are being selected by the student body.

A President Position is needed for signatory positions on the board. Discussion was held about the role and responsibilities of this position. Glenn Johnson was elected to serve as the President of the board. Parents and Board members expressed enthusiasm for Glenn's willingness to assume this important responsibility. On behalf of everyone, Glenn expressed his appreciation for Josephine's past leadership as Chief Academic Officer.

School staff will check to make certain that there are no legal barriers to the Chief Academic Officer of the School serving as President of the Board. If we learn that there is a barrier to this, then Lisa Sharfstein, the teacher representative to the Board, will serve as President of the Board. Lauri Perman was elected Secretary of the Board.

Special Teachers - The Board approved Michelle Richards to serve as the Fitness and Health teacher and Corey Whitesell to serve as the Integrated Arts teacher. Josephine and the assistant teachers will be working closely with the arts teachers to help them with the teaching part of their jobs.

II. Program

The recharter applications are in the mail for the 3 chartering school districts: State College, Bald Eagle and Bellefonte. The districts have 45 days to schedule a public hearing. This is ahead of the required November deadline. Liz Kisenwether is coordinating a parent letter writing campaign to School Board members in the next few days to support the recharter request.

The Board approved the revised Mandate Waiver Program Application. An attachment will make it clear that CLC teachers hold a variety of types of certification. A sentence will be added indicating the percentage of CLC teachers who hold certification. This has been reviewed by an attorney. Everyone present gave Josephine a round of applause and collective pat on the back for her work in preparing the waiver application.

Josephine, Glenn and Mark have worked on a grant application for Comprehensive School Reform and still have work remaining.

The school will also begin to apply for a Digital Grassroots Grant again this year. Once again children will be involved in the preparation of this grant.

CLC also discussed with SCASD a joint application for a technology in the schools grant.

The Language Acquisition program at Penn State submitted a grant application including CLC but it was withdrawn from the original funding source. They are now seeking a new funding source. This grant will fund after-school language experiences.

III. Financial Report

Ann Bolser submitted a revised budget and new budget format to the Board for review. In this budget, overhead expenses are broken out separately. This new budget conforms to state regulations. Liz Kisenweather moved, Katie Kisenwether seconded and the Board approved that the new budget format be approved. By acclaim, the Board also authorized payment of bills.

The meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.