



MINUTES OF THE CENTRE LEARNING COMMUNITY CHARTER SCHOOL

Minutes for the Meeting of the Board of Trustees April 17, 2014 7:00pm at the School

Members present: Kim Bahnsen, Gail Boldt, Ron Boyles, Ali Carr-Chellman, Siobhan Donnelly, Morgan Ilgen, Jerre Price, Dottie Rumbel, Cathy Swarm, Mark Toci

Others in Attendance: Raisa Gray, Kosta Dusias (via Skype), Dan Swarm (parent)

OPENING ACTIVITIES:

- Gail called meeting to order at 7:10pm with the Pledge of Allegiance, review of meeting agenda.
- Mark Toci was sworn-in.
- March minutes revisions discussed, Ron motioned to accept minutes as revised, Ali seconded. 9-0
- No public comment.

REPORTS

School Update:

Mark, Siobhan and Morgan commented on the School updates which included:

Bike tour developing for the 7-8th graders, PSA for endangered wildlife in ocean in Morgan & Kelly's class, Outdoor school to be 4 days/3 nights, A&A team working on oceanography. Mark commented that we need more 5th graders for the upcoming year.

Business Manager/CEO Report:

Kosta (via Skype) reported on the renovation, he's received modified drawings with downscaling, he says this project needs to be put on hold until we have clarity of Legislation on what might be affecting us.

1. Senate Bill 1085 will decrease money our school would receive from the employers' portion. (i.e. 60K from State for employer & employee will reduce by 50% = 30K)
2. House Bill 2138, school district can deduct 30% from their payment on how they reimburse charter schools.
3. House Bill 2174 & 618 will be changing Special education student reimbursements and base it on what school district and the level of disability on each student is, and to be 1.15% of regular student reimbursements. This would account for approx 25-40% loss in special education reimbursements. We should know by the end of July what our outcome will be.

Kosta is recommending we put the construction on hold for now, Gail suggested he put together a list of the most important renovations that need done that would affect operation costs (like roof, HVAC) for the next meeting. Mark suggested maybe having a parent work group, who would be responsible for individual tasks that they are able to do. Morgan will pass this suggestion to the Parent Group.

Kosta and Mark spoke with Senator Corman about 1085.

(Dan Swarm joined meeting)

Marketing update: Mark and Kosta spoke with Tim Moyer, a Marketing expert from Mojo Active. He does work for hospitals and they talked about branding the school. We need something simple that gets parents in the door, posters that can be sized with a message that says we are a professional organization. He says he would be able to put that message together. \$15K was previously approved for the Marketing Budget and there was discussion on whether we should get more input from other Marketing professionals or parents who have experience in Marketing before jumping

on the project. Ali moved to approve the previously approved \$15K from Advertising Budget for a sign as approved (also considering the logo changeability) by selective stake holders within the 2013 current Fiscal budget year. Passed 8-0, Siobhan abstained, wants all parents involved with experience. Siobhan will get together with her Marketing Committee and get back to us with the branding at the next board meeting. She will email them and tell them the board approved the sign and we aren't moving on with branding until July.
(Above is a Charge)

Financial Report:

Dottie, Kosta and Brian met this month, Dottie reviewed preliminary budget and talked about the sign. Kosta reported on "A" revenue \$40K swing due to the revised reimbursement rates. PDE posted last month, last page (\$40K surplus)

State Audit:

No report.

CLC Parent Group:

Morgan read Kathy's email with her report, the parent group granted enough money for an extra day at outdoor school.

Student Council Report:

Siobhan reported on their first committee, students are brainstorming on how to make school a positive place and vote on how to carry out.

Policies/Employment/Strategic Panning Report:

Gail reported that the Board should have filled out surveys along with parents. They will go through the results and have a report at the May Board Meeting regarding Kosta's rehire and salary increase. Kosta gets to see it and write a response.

Training/Recruitment/Elections Committee:

Morgan reported the election notice was sent out in March. They have just enough people to fill the current positions, call for petitions – if we get any by 4/21 cut-off, then we elect if no election. Siobhan said if Board members have anything to add about their jobs that would entice, please say so. Morgan talked to a couple of people about coming in.

NEW BUSINESS

Mark reported the Administrative Review Committee – rotate onto the Policies Committee.

OLD BUSINESS

Security: Kosta received emails, should be installing hardware, then security company will come, expected installation to be done in 10 days. The total will be done maybe mid-May. They will maybe try with certain people soon with the key fob to get input from them. In the fall they will develop a security policy.

FUTURE BUSINESS

Teacher handbook

Jerre moved to adjourn, Ali seconded, passed 9-0 @ 8:47pm.

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