



School Board Meeting January 21, 2012

Roll call

Present: Stephanie Colson, Kami Orr, Jason Haskell, Jeremy Baker, Kammi Pyles, Susie Scherer, DeAnn Williams

Consent Agenda

Director's report.

Susie stated the date for the lottery this year will be March 5th.

Kammi Pyles motioned to approve consent agenda, second by Jason; unanimous.

2012-2013 School Calendar

Susie Scherer received feedback from parents concerning the number of minimum days at our school. The majority of the feedback was positive concerning the number of minimum days and the school in general. Only a few responded they did not like the number of minimum days, they feel there are too many and the kids cannot have productive days on minimum days.

Susie stated because the majority of core instruction and testing is done in the morning, minimum days are still productive.

We had 33 minimum days last year and have 22 scheduled for the 2012-2013 school year. School will start on August 27th and end on May 31st. School will be in session for 1014 hours. The school board discussed the number of minimum days in the year and decided to add two more minimum days in March for teacher development.

Jason motioned to approve the modified 2012-2013 school calendar, second by DeAnn; unanimous.

Fundraising

Jeremy posed the question; why do we need a fundraiser. He would like a goal and a purpose to the fundraising at the school.

Susie would vote for an improved sound system in the gym.

Kammi asked what teachers would like and could use to enhance teaching in the classroom.

Susie responded the teachers would use additional mobile labs.

Board discussed different fundraising options from sponsorships to box tops collection.

Stephanie suggested forming a committee for fundraising to get parents and other non-board members involved.

Jeremy suggested having 4+ fundraisers a year that are all different and involve different groups of people.

Jeremy asked if there are any rules regarding fundraising.

Susie stated we cannot send students door to door.

Jason suggested on the fundraising committee we would like to form to have each member of the committee have a specialty as to which kind of fundraiser they could run.

Board Member Training: Monty Hardy

Explanation of Internal Monitoring Reports

Stephanie asked if reports are helpful and if we should continue to do them. Board feels they are helpful.

Stephanie suggested we review policies and parts of the charter at each meeting.

Staff personal/sick day options

Susie explained current personal/sick day policy.

Matt explained financial situation for the possibility of paying teachers out at the end of the year for not using all sick/personal time off.

Susie presented models of how other charter schools handle staff time off.

Board discussed paying out sick days at the end of the year and/or rolling over days until the next year.

Kami Orr motioned to change all teacher time off (sick/personal days) to be termed PTO for the 2012-2013 school year and allow teachers to be compensated \$85 for each PTO day they have not used by the end of the school year on the June paycheck; second by DeAnn Williams; unanimous.

Committee Assignments

Kami Orr motioned to appoint Jason Haskell as the chair of the Financial Committee, Stephanie Colson as the chair of the Achievement Committee with DeAnn Williams as a member, Jeremy Baker as the chair of the Fundraising Committee with Kammi Pyles as a member, and Kami Orr as the chair of the Charter School Advocacy committee, second by Jeremy Baker; unanimous.

Review/amend bylaw procedures for member resignations

DeAnn Williams motioned to amend the bylaws to allow the school board to appoint a new council member to replace a member that has resigned/been dismissed/died to fill the remainder of the former council member's term, second Kami Orr; unanimous (Jason Haskell absent).

Amend SPED support/technology budget

Susie explained that the school is under budget for SPED support and would like the board to move money from SPED support to the technology budget to allow purchase of new equipment.

Matt Lovell presented financials for the Board to review.

Jason Haskell motioned to reallocate \$6,000 from the SPED budget to the technology budget to allow the purchase of new equipment, second DeAnn Williams; unanimous.

Financial Procedures

Matt Lovell reviewed financial procedures with the Board.

Jeremy Baker motioned to adjourn the meeting, second Jason; unanimous.

Meeting Adjourned