

Board of Directors Meeting July 15, 2014 West Valley Esperanza School Site MINUTES

Call to Order

Janet Christensen called to order the meeting at 7:18pm on July 15, 2014. There was a delay in starting the meeting due to members taking a tour of the building site to view work progress of Stout Construction.

Roll Call

Members present: Janet Christensen (Chair), Juan Freire, Patricia Matthews, Steve Winitzky, Marty Banks, Marlon Morales, Eulogio Alejandre.

Members absent: Robert Heyn, Elena Bensor, Cody Case.

Other: Jeff Biesinger (Red Apple), Trent Maw (Red Apple), Chrystal Sanchez (School Secretary), Flavia McKnight, Carmen Thompson, Julia Barrientos (Vice Principal).

Reports

- Facilities Update. Jeff Biesinger/Red Apple went over the progress of Stout Construction. The project is generally on schedule. The carpeting will be arriving a week later than planned so that will put the actual completion later than August 1 by about a week. Members took a tour of the building to view work progress of Stout Construction.
- Trent Maw of Red Apple, presented the monthly financial summaries as of June 2014. He guided the board through a brief explanation for each graph. The revised detailed budgets for both FY14 and FY15 were also presented.

Action Items

• Generación Floreciente Loan. Between the beginnings of Esperanza Elementary in 2009 and until Charter School Startup Funding began in July 2012, the GF bank account has loaned approximately \$6,000 to Esperanza. It is the will of the Board that these funds be repaid to Barbara Lovejoy, the creator of GF and the original founder of Esperanza. Marty motioned to pay Barbara the current balance in the GF account (approximately \$2,500) and let Barbara know that the monies owed (approximately \$6,000) would be repaid when Esperanza was financially able to do so. Juan seconded, the vote was unanimous.

- External Research Policy. Board members reviewed the emailed information and discussed it. Steve Winitzky motioned to adopt the policy. Marlon seconded, the vote was unanimous.
- Approval for school calendar FY14 FY15. After reviewing calendar Janet motioned to accept calendar as edited September SEP days to be moved from the 23rd and 24th, to the 24th and 25th. Marty seconded with the small change, vote was unanimous.

Prinipal's Reports

- School Enrollment.
 - o The kindergarten level is over enrolled. We are still enrolling for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade. We have 446 students on the intent to enroll list.
- Hiring Teachers.
 - We have hired 3 kindergarten teachers, 2 for 1st grade, 1 for 2nd grade, 1 for 3rd grade, 1 for 5th grade and 1 for 6th grade.
 - We are currently doing interviews for teacher assistants and have an abundance in applicants for those 5 positions to be filled.
 - o We are still seeking a Special Education Director.
- Curriculum. We will be using Bridges in Mathematics and Reading A-Z.
- PTO
 - o Parents weren't able to attend meeting, but we will be posting on the school website and printing samples for students' uniform and school calendar.
 - o It is anticipated that the next parent meeting will be Thursday, August 7, 2014 at Esperanza School.
- Zions Bank Credit Application
 - o Marlon Morales, Steve Winitzky, Trent Maw and Jeff Biesinger discussed application and it will be ready in two weeks.
- GBOT Reminder. Janet was on the website today and has gone over basic info on how to access website.
- West Valley Recreation Center Services.
 - At the moment due to our bell schedule they wouldn't be able to include us into their pick up route for their after school programs. Administration will decide if there will be a change to the bell schedule to be able to be included in their pick up route.
- GRAMMA. After discussion there will be no action taken at this moment.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Next Board meeting will be Tuesday, August 19, 2014 from 6:30pm – 8:00pm at Esperanza Elementary.