



BOARD MEETING

6:00 – 7:30 PM, Thursday, June 22, 2017

Esperanza School Meeting Room * 4956 W 3500 S, West Valley City, UT 84119

MINUTES

Call to order: Meeting began at 6:10 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Juan Freire, Patricia Matthews, Janet Christensen, Maria Parrilla de Kokal, Steve Winitzky, Angela Farias Zamora

MEMBERS ABSENT: Cody Case, Marty Banks, Debby Bauman, Challengene Nuwan

OTHERS PRESENT: Eulogio Alejandro (Director), Brian Cates (Red Apple)

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

FINANCIAL REPORT – Brian Cates/Red Apple

The financial summary through May 31, 2017 was presented to the board. Brian provided details along with a written report of revenue, expenditures and a preliminary budget for the 2017-18 school year.

ACTION ITEMS

1. The motion to approve the final budget for the 2016-17 school year and the preliminary budget for the 2017-18 budget: Steve moved to approve. Janet second. The vote was unanimous.
2. Review/approve minutes from May 25, 2017 board meeting: Janet moved to approve, Patricia second. Vote was unanimous.
3. Director's Agreement. Sent previously by email to all board members. Steve motioned to approve. Maria second. Motion was approved unanimously.
4. Anti-Bullying Policy. Sent previously by email to all board members. Patricia moved to approve the policy. Maria second. Motion was approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Mission and vision statements are still in progress
2. Academic Committee: The Academic Committee will coordinate with Eulogio for creating a calendar of meetings with the leadership team. First meeting may be as early as July.
3. Governance Committee: Patricia brought up possible updates/revisions to our charter. It was decided that the committee will reserve a portion of each board meeting over the next year to review up to 3 sections per month, including referenced appendices. Cody is

assigned to develop the review calendar for the 2017-18 school year. Eulogio brought up the point that most charter schools must review their charters as time goes on. The State has hired two new specialists to assist charters in this process.

DISCUSSION / INFORMATION ITEMS

Executive Director/Principal Report:

1. Granite Food Services will continue for one more year giving the school time to plan for an alternate food services plan for next year. The UT State Office of Education stepped in and ordered continuation allowing sufficient time for planning. EA is working on a new plan.
2. Teacher retention report: One new teacher is being hired. All others will remain at Esperanza for the coming school year. 14 of the 19 teachers are certified. 17 are Latino and come for all over the world.
3. Enrollment Report: 529 students are enrolled for the coming school year. 500 are funded.
4. Three updated handbooks will be on the Google Folder along with previous handbooks. One will be for teachers. One for all employees. The third will be for parent/students. The latter will be translated in both English and Spanish.
5. Eulogio shared final testing results for SAGE and IDEL. Proficiency is up significantly and has caught the attention of State leaders. The State Superintendent will visit on Sept 12, 2017 to offer congratulations to students, faculty and administration. We see the best growth in our students moving through the grades since our opening year. The IDEL results are crucial for supporting our 90-10 model.
6. Plan for integration of culture. A discussion was held regarding the mindset that all students can learn and the need to showcase leadership and success by those of minority cultures. For example, when visits are made by community helpers such as police/firefighters, special requests are made for Latinos to come and talk about their jobs and their important role in the community. The discussion also pointed out the distinct advantages for both students and teachers alike to celebrate dual language culture in the classroom. A suggestion was made to use electronic high fives on Facebook as a way to offer more recognition to students.
7. C4L Surveys. Results of this year's survey was shown including a comparison of this year and the previous two years. Areas surveyed include: Safety, Instructional Quality, Instructional Leadership and Facilitative Leadership.
8. 90-10 State Policy status. The current law may be repealed and a new bill introduced. The question being considered: Is the 90-10 model effective in Utah?

PTO Report:

The PTO was not represented at this meeting. Their report will be considered at our next meeting.

Final Considerations: The board expressed unanimous gratitude for the great contributions of our founding board member and treasurer Steve Winitzky. Steve is leaving the board. Tonight's meeting was his last. Thank-you forever Steve!

ADJOURN at 9:00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next parent meeting – TBD

Next board meeting – Thursday, August 24, 2017 * 6:00-7:30 PM