



BOARD MEETING

6:00 – 7:30 PM, Tuesday, March 17, 2015

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

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Janet Christensen, Challeng Nuwan, Steven Winitzky

MEMBERS ABSENT: Marty Banks, Cody Case, Juan Freire, Rocio Velasquez, Patricia Matthews, Ivette Phan (faculty representative)

OTHERS PRESENT: Eulogio Alejandro (Principal), Chris Miller (Business Manager/Red Apple), Chrystal Sanchez (School Secretary)

FINANCIAL REPORT – Chris Miller/Red Apple reviewed financial report handouts showing fiscal activity through the end of February 2015. Esperanza is 67% through the school year, revenues and expenses are proceeding as anticipated. The three-page budget shows that Esperanza is on track to finish the school year with a surplus that is 7.3% of annual income – our goal is 5%.

ACTION ITEMS – due to lack of quorum, it was decided to facilitate the review and approval of the following action items by email with board members.

1. Review/approve minutes from February 24, 2015 board meeting
2. Review/approve the land trust plan for 2015-16
3. Review/approve Director/Principal salary and goals for 2015-16

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Executive Director/Principal report
 - Student assessment results: Principal Eulogio shared the mid-year Dibels testing results which show marked improvements for first, second and third grades from the same assessment conducted at the beginning of the school year:
 - 1st grade: from 3% to 27% proficiency
 - 2nd grade: from 14% to 35% proficiency
 - 3rd grade: from 24% to 35% proficiency
 - Summer School: Esperanza will be conducting a 30-day summer school program from 8am to noon and focusing on math and language arts. The summer program will be focused on Title I eligible students and paid for with Title I funds.
 - Principal Eulogio has revised the daily schedule for the 2015-16 school year. One change is that the morning recess will be supervised by aides allowing discretionary time for classroom teachers. The afternoon schedule for electives

- was outlined. The total instructional hours for the year will be 993 hours (state requirement is 990 hours).
- Members were reminded about the fundraiser set for tomorrow – Wednesday, March 18 at Paulino’s restaurant from 10am to 8pm. The restaurant will donate 50% of the proceeds to the school.

2. PTO report – Challenged reported:

- The book fair fundraiser sold more than \$5,000 worth of books. 25% of proceeds will come to the school. PTO is planning to do this fundraiser twice during the 2015-16 school year.
- \$1 candy bar sales campaign will start at the end of March.
- Esperanza has been chosen as one of three recipients of 5% of sales on April 23 from 3-8pm at the Harmons on 3500 S 4000 W. PTO estimates this event may raise up to \$5,000 for the school.
- Spirit Week begins next week at the school.
- Barbara Lovejoy is setting up a college savings account scholarship for Esperanza students. A selected number of students must earn \$50 on their own and Barbara will match.
- The current balance of PTO funds is around \$4,000. A major goal for the PTO is the purchase of playground equipment suitable for the older students. PTO funds are also used for other events such as the teacher appreciation lunch.
- Challenged was thanked by Principal Eulogio and board members for the PTOs hard work and dedication to the school.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next board meeting – Tuesday, May 19, 2015 * 6:00-7:30pm, Esperanza Elementary School