

Vista School Board Meeting

May 15, 2015 Minutes

Location: 585 East Center, Ivins, UT 84738

Board members present: John Berger, Gail Neumann, Neil Walter

Others present: Mike Webb (Director), MaryAnn Oram (Financial Director), Troy Bradshaw (IT Director), Britni Armstrong (Board Secretary), Chris Barnum, Bette Arial, Brad Owens

5:00 PM - Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions – John Berger

5:05 PM - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

❖ April 15, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes

John moves to approve minutes, unanimously approved.

5:05 PM Approve Board Election Results and Seat Board Members

Troy reviews board election results- closed yesterday 9 ballots total. Gail, John, and Neil all with 100% of votes.

Neil moves to adopt election results. Unanimously approved.

5:10 PM Board Resignations and Board Appointments

Candace asked to be removed from board due to health concerns. Her seat needs to be filled. Neil proposes for Bette Arial to fill the seat for Candace. Unanimously approved. Neil motions to fill seat 7 by appointing Brad Owens as non-parent member. Unanimously approved.

5:15 PM - PUBLIC COMMENTS

- ❖ Diane Biasi- review of PTO year. Christine Schumate- New President, Joel Taylor- New Secretary. Concentrated on parent involvement and volunteers.

5:15 PM - REPORTS

❖ Director's Report - Michael Webb

- **Faculty/Staff Changes-** all 3 secretaries leaving, replaced with Michelle Hansen and Christine France Summerhays moved to part time- 2nd grade PM, Fairbanks moved to 2nd grade AM. Carissa Sawyers full time 1st grade Tara Thornly hired for History, Dale Finlinson- 5th grade homeroom. Mike and MaryAnn interviewed Stacy Terrell for Food Services Director today- proposes to hire her for this position.
- **Enrollment and lottery update-**
Took students off wait list and invited them. 91 on wait list prior, now 32. As of 18th- 849 enrolled for Fall.
- **School Events (recent, past and upcoming)**
1st-3rd curriculum performances, dance program with after school and 4th-8th programs, choir program with after school and in school program, piano performance, 4th and 5th grade theater, music, strings and dance performances, 4th-8th string and band performance, strings and VRS just returned from Lagoon for competition, returned with a few trophies. Tomorrow at 5:30 is commencement exercises for 8th grade.
- **Fall School lunch update**
A few requirements have been added to program. Full approval signed in August after they observe lunch being served. Mike received preliminary bid on major work for kitchen remodel- total \$46,557.77- funded out of cash flow.
- ❖ **Financial Report – MaryAnn Oram**
 - **Final preparations to close 2015 financials**
MaryAnn in confident we will come in under budget and meet bond covenants. Approve final 2014-2015 budget and 2015-2016 budget in June.
 - **2016 Budget**
approve in June
 - **FY15 3rd quarter Bond holder's report**
MaryAnn discussed reports.

5:40 PM - COMMITTEE REPORTS

- ❖ **Finance Committee – Jason Wells**
- ❖ **Academic Excellence Committee – Bette Arial**
- ❖ **Public Relations Committee – Gail Neumann**
- ❖ **Governance Committee – John Berger**

6:00 PM - DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- ❖ **Adjustment to Enrollment Bonus**
- ❖ **Possibly purchase bus from Tuacahn**

- ❖ **Board Resolution Clarifying the two amendments to the ByLaws approved by the Board in the last 12 months.**
John reviews resolution- passed around for signatures of new board members. John moves to adopt resolution as previously read. Unanimously approved.
- ❖ **Marquee Digital Display Replacement**
- ❖ Aimee Hansen- update on marquee. LG will give full refund on 2 screens that stopped working. PTO will put refund into savings and work on raising funds for screens that are specifically meant for outside Aimee has received several different bids (\$8,000-\$11,000 each). Considering golf tournament to raise funds- possibly earn \$5,000.00 off tournament. Maybe fall and spring? Continue discussions through July.
- ❖ **Technology Course Offerings in 2016 school year**
We have access to funding for coding classes from Dixie State. Instead of changing course offerings, change course description or add after school programs.
- ❖ **Parent/Teacher/Student Surveys**
Teacher surveys completed, parent surveys wrapping up,
- ❖ **Proposed Charter amendment for Student Fees Approval by State School Board**
Approved by Maralise Burns- go forward with 6th grade fees for next year-after further discussion, withdraw request. Have fees for 6th start next year and look into reducing fees for all grades. Table until June.
- ❖ **Mission/Vision progress and related goals and associated Charter Amendment**
Need to amend a portion of the charter, goals are outdated and need to be changed- accomplish this summer.
- ❖ **School land trust plan follow-up**
All submitted and in compliance
- ❖ **Target date for employment agreements to be out**
Agreements out tomorrow (May 21st)
- ❖ **School Nursing Incentive Plan**
Grant is re-opened, Mike is currently working on it. Adam Garrard is going to help write policies. Other charter schools are willing to share costs.
- ❖ **Establish Committee for Administration Evaluations**
Neil moves for he and John to be members of board, unanimously approved. Will begin discussion immediately- this month.
- ❖ **Budget Revisions**
- ❖ **Board of Education Teacher Evaluation Guidelines**
- ❖ **Charter School Conference, Quarterly Regional Meeting, and Board Training**
Board has been nominated for Charter School Board of the Year, MaryAnn nominated for Business Director of the Year. Discussed who would be attending UACPS conference.
Quarterly regional meeting- follow-up meeting in the fall at Vista.
Trainings offered by UACPS- making effort to train more frequently, bringing down to Southern Utah.

TABLED AGENDA ITEMS

MISC COMMENTS

Wellness council proposed from employee Biometric assessment results. MaryAnn asked if board members want to participate in council- Gail offered to help.

CLOSED SESSION (if needed)

To discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of individuals.

7:10 PM – ADJOURN

John moves to adjourn