

Vista School Board Meeting

June 22, 2016 Minutes

Location: 585 East Center, Ivins, UT 84738

Board members present: Brad Owen, Bette Ariel, Gail Neumann, Neil Walter

Others present: Sam Gibbs (Director), MaryAnn Oram (Business Director), Troy Bradshaw (Technology Director), Chris Barnum (SpEd Director), Twila Kay

5:00 PM - Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions – Brad Owen

Neil will be about 20 minutes late.

5:00 PM - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

❖ May 18, 2016, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes

No minutes available to approve, will be approved in July meeting

5:00 PM - PUBLIC COMMENTS

none

5:15 PM - REPORTS

❖ Director's Report -

○ Faculty/Staff Changes

Ashley Hawk- 1st grade math

Crystal Lewis- part time 4th grade AM

Rebecca Wainwright/Shelly Thomas- 4-8 dance

Lexi Corbett- moved from older grades to 1-3 dance

Matthew Bryant resigned as new VP, took position in Syracuse. VP position is now open again.

○ Enrollment and Lottery Update

Target enrollment has stayed the same, 9 students undecided, 13 invites who have not sent in paperwork, potential enrollment of 950 with waiting list of 200.

Enrollment, target enrollment, and waiting list were much lower in June of 2015 than they are this June.

○ Recent and upcoming events

VCC classes daily, strings summer clinic is putting on a concert tomorrow night at the movie in the park. Math camp in July. Not much going on over the summer.

❖ Financial Report – MaryAnn Oram

○ Financials and Budget Review

Explained how the state requires school to track expenses, etc.

Compared pie charts at beginning of year vs. where we are now. Only change as facility went down slightly because our income increased. 80% of budget is fixed cost (i.e. salaries, etc)

Neil asked about lunch program- MaryAnn thinks it is going well, students and families like it.

MaryAnn Discussed detailed budget, compared ending fiscal year 2016 and beginning fiscal year 2017.

5:40 PM - COMMITTEE REPORTS

❖ Arts Committee – Bette Ariel

❖ Academic Excellence Committee – Gail Neumann

❖ Technology Committee – Brad Owen

❖ Audit and Finance Committee – John Berger

○ Report on audit committee meeting

5:50 PM - DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

❖ Amendment to Enrollment Cap in Charter

Discussed pros and cons and what number to amend it to. Neil moves to authorize Sam to fill out paperwork to increase enrollment cap. Unanimously approved.

- ❖ **Schedule Administration Evaluations**
Neil wants a 2-member committee, asked Sam for suggestions. Sam discussed several different avenues. Neil would like to share information collected without giving specifics or breaking confidentiality. Gail and Brad suggested to just present a general compilation as opposed to actual written comments. Gail and Neil will work on this together.
- ❖ **Facilities Changes**
Follow up on changing 2 small offices next to stage into a bigger one. It's in progress. Sam also mentioned fixing the floor of black box theater. Neil asked about budget, will not be done in time to come out of 2016 budget.
Bette moves to finish completing rooms and floor of black box theater in 2017 budget, unanimously approved.
- ❖ **Recommendation to approve Squire and Co as 2016 FY auditor**
John is not here but discussed approval of this in Financial Committee meeting.
Gail moves to approve, unanimously approved.
- ❖ **Final 2016 Budget**
Bette moves to approve, unanimously approved.
- ❖ **Proposed 2017 Budget**
Gail moves to approve, unanimously approved.
- ❖ **Strategic Planning Update/Performance Standards for Governing Board Dashboard**
Table for next meeting.
- ❖ **Required Policies Overview**
Required: brought to attention by disgruntled parent, declined acceptance then later changed mind about attending, challenged school to move student up on wait list. Found holes in the policies. Sam discussed instances where students would be moved up on the waiting list (at risk of harm, Vista is the ONLY place where student would find safety, etc) and that if parent rejects student acceptance they are forfeiting their spot.
Brad moves to adopt policy proposed by Sam, unanimously approved.
Optional: bathroom policy- "Public bathrooms and dressing rooms will be utilized according to student's biological sex. Any person desiring a different accommodation for any reason will have access to the individual restrooms available throughout the school."
Brad moves to adopt policy proposed by Sam, unanimously approved.
- ❖ **Report on UAPCS Conference**
Neil, Gail, Sam, MaryAnn, and Chris attended conference. Gail mentioned that a "board retreat" with focused training from UAPCS would be beneficial since there are so many new board members. Neil suggests looking into a training.

MISC COMMENTS

Sam mentioned that there are arts, academics, and technology committees that will be set up through the school this next year and that board members of said committees are more than welcome to join those as well. Gail mentioned that she wasn't sure if board members were supposed to be involved in the school committees. Neil explained that it's a good opportunity to relay information in each category.

TABLED AGENDA ITEMS

None

CLOSED SESSION

To discuss the character or competence of an individual. Requires Roll call vote.

Sam requests to move into closed session to discuss Matty's resignation. Bette moves to move into closed session. Roll call vote: Bette, Brad, Neil, Gail all present.

6:30 PM – ADJOURN