



Board Meeting Minutes

Regular Session

Thursday, December 10, 2015

In Attendance:

Kristi Anspach/Chair
Scarlett Jordan/Vice Chair
Jurgen Wanke/Treasurer
Lisa Dukelow/Parent Rep
Roney Brown/Parent Rep
Carol Townsend/Parent Rep
Lisa Bair/Administrator
Kristin Martin/Teacher Rep
Julie Williams/Teacher Rep

Call to Order at 6:40 PM by Kristi Anspach

Reading of Mission Statement

Orange Charter School will nurture a community of academic and artistic distinction, as it enriches each student's cultural literacy.

Public Comment – no public comments

Principal Update

- Current enrollment at 240 students
- Employee of the month for November was Kristin Martin, December was Allison Weislak
- Elementary Concert will be held December 17th at 1:30 PM with the strings and band
- Self Study due to DPI on December 17th
- Website revamp will be ready December 15th, will update on December 18th, and will go live January 4th
- Allen Gratz visit was awesome! Students had a wonderful time
- There will be group tours December 17th at 9 & 1; last month 20 families attended the tour

Committee Updates

Ad Hoc HS Expansion

- Met November 19th
- Went over task groups and assigned members and duties
- Lisa resent details to Sam
- Waiting on information for the bank
- Next meeting schedules for Tuesday, January 12th

Education

- No cause to meet
- Presentations in January, maybe 3rd week or around the 21st?

Finance

- Will meet in January
- See budget Jurgen handed out
- Final budget from Jared is incorrect, not calculated with correct entries, ADM is correct
- Expect 42% spent so far
- Salaries at 1.1, which means positive variance, this means we're in the black!
- Technology, Insurance, and facilities are all in a negative variance
- Reports due! We need the appraisals done
- Final line = positive variance at \$106K

Future Visions

- Met December 3rd
- Revisions made to policy, working to restructure and create documents to move forward
- Will Trachomy (sp?) might unofficially chair the committee?
- Will meet again January 25th

Grievance – no cause to meet

PATH

- Met December 7th, next meeting is January 4th
- Holiday Hoopla is setting up tomorrow
- Staff party at Radius Pizza tomorrow
- Looking into having the Silent Auction in April and the Spring Fling in May 2016
- Received final quotes for SmartBoards, including installation

Personnel – will meet in January

Technology

- Cannot turn the Dells into Chromebooks, looking at other options
- Changing of passwords on Chromebooks
- Lisa Bair will reach out to Scott Jewitt for follow-up

New Business

PATH Silent Auction, Spring 2016 – see attached email for PATH info

Discussion of clarification memorandum regarding NC Open Meetings Law and its application at OCS

- Look at Sunshine Coalition to bridge the gap
- Will, Betsy, and Lisa can discuss

Roney Brown left at 7:20 PM, previously noted

Old Business

Review of minutes, November 12th

- Scarlett motions to approve minutes as edited, Jurgen seconds, approved unanimously, Lisa abstained due to absence from November meeting

Final SmartBoard purchases

- 4 SmartBoards with installation = \$15,751.20, 3 Boards @ \$11,813.40, each is \$3937.80
- Read-A-Thon raised enough money to cover 1.5 SmartBoards
- Lisa B. recommends getting 3 SmartBoards, and one TV for Kim Apelgren (previous conversations)
- Jurgen motions to authorize \$7,500 in school funds to be used with \$5,500 from PATH to purchase the 3 SmartBoards and Large TV, Lisa D. seconds, approved unanimously

Results of school community vote regarding change of school name, colors and mascot due to close similarity with other schools and organizations – see image attachment for numbers

- From staff – two teachers reps wanted it noted in the minutes that Middle and Elementary School teachers voted in favor of the name change
- Family votes clearly defined with Eno River Academy as the first choice in the survey
- Carol motions to change the name of OCS to Eno River Academy, effective with the start of the 2016-2017 school year, Jurgen seconds, unanimous vote to approve
- Colors chosen were Blue, Green, and White (not voted)
- Mascots will be sent out to vote via survey with families after winter break (include Mudcats, Otters, and Bears)

Open House Dates (K-8) and Community Expansion Sessions, Update

- All dates and updates given during Principal's update in opening of meeting

Expansion Update (ongoing)

- Priority Update and Identification
 - o Marketing and name change with colors – brochures will be printed the 1st week of January
- Review of cooperation agreement information provided by Expedition School (regarding High School tours, etc. for either grade students at Expedition)
 - o Expedition School wants to be a feeder for OCS high school
 - o OCS would host an "Open Day" for TES students to visit and tour
 - o Scarlett motions that OCS develop a comprehensive plan to work with other schools in the area, and share marketing materials and have visitation days, Lisa D. seconds, unanimous approval
- Timeline discussion for creation/revision of staff descriptions for Expansion
 - o Personnel will meet in January/February to discuss and plan
 - o Hope to post positions in February/March 2016
- Marketing update – see principal's update
- Floorplan Update – see posted plans in office, Lisa D. motions to approved revised floor plan as amended, Carol seconds, unanimous approval
- Site Plan Update – see posted site plans in office, Scarlett motions to approve updated site plan concept layout with one K-8 building and one HS building, Jurgen seconds, unanimous approval
- Webpage Update – see principal's update

Lisa D. motions to adjourn, Carol seconds, approved, Adjourn at 8:23 PM