

Board of Directors' Meeting MINUTES

Tuesday, September 17, 2013 Multi-Purpose Rm. at 6:00 P.M.

Public comment during Public Communications is encouraged and welcomed. Total time per speaker is limited to three minutes. Please be advised that, pursuant to State Law, any member of the public may address the Board of Directors concerning any item within the jurisdiction of the Board. Please be aware that items on the agenda are considered to be routine and are normally enacted by one vote of the Board of Directors. If you wish to speak on a specific agenda item, please submit a speaker card prior to the meeting. Total time per speaker is three minutes.

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PRESENT: Mark Palmerston (Director), Kelly Scott (President), Leah Warson (Treasurer), Chrystine Urban (Secretary), John Porter, Brooke Blunt, Melanie Sutton Hodgdon, Joann Rosenberg (Teacher Rep.), Debbie Trujillo (MS Teacher Rep. non-voting)

ABSENT: Jim Brown (Superintendent)

Open Session Called to order 6:00 pm

- 1) Public Comment on Non-Agenda items- NONE
- 2) Conduct Board Candidate Interviews
- 3) Consent Agenda
 - a) Approval of Minutes for August 13, 2013
KS motioned to approve; JP 2nd; MSW abstained due to absence
 - b) Fundraising- Support our School Fundraiser
MP-Foundation will be taking on this event Mid Oct. –Nov. and will be rolled out after the Jogathon; \$20 ticket cost goes directly to school; Funds to Foundation; Each student and Staff member gets 5 tickets to sell;
- 4) Standing Reports
 - a) PTSO (Parent Teacher Student Organization) Sylvia Baeza \$10K to remain as seed money; \$40K goes to Board (Nov. 1); Jogathon/Carnival to be held on Oct. 18th;
 - b) Golf Tournament- JP, no date set
 - c) Hot Lunch Program –MP Snack Program to begin Oct. 1; LW reports for Oct. \$5700.00 + 25 snack cards sold. Board members mentioned concerns with food portions, MP will take feedback to Talisa. Snack program, punch card audit trail reflects as purchases on lunch order
 - d) Auction- Report included in Fundraising Foundation Report
 - e) Fundraising Foundation Articles of incorporation; applying for 501 3c status (8-10 months process); donations could currently be run through the school. Michaela Laza & JP working with Frank Blundo & Alan Blakeboro; Mark Owens, for accounting.
 - f) Director's Report- MP exciting 2 weeks of school; Reports positive Back to School nights; Volleyball match B team won, A team lost; Buddy program has received positive feedback; 8th graders went to Reagan Library; current enrollment 200 students, may add 3-5 students;

encouraging attendance to be 98+%; Concerns over students with large absences, truants and will be working with SARB;
(Page 3) API report+ measure of performance, decline. Rank 8 is positive; No risk for Charter renewal; AYP is federal measure, more significant; LA/MATH 89% of students needed to meet. STAR tests may be suspended for 2013-14;. 5th & 8th grade Science will only be tested. Will still create student accountability report card. Possibly test pilot Smart Balance Assessments. Technology will be a hindrance.

Staffing Updates (page 2) Changes made
Letter (page 4); requested to be shared with Board; MP will go back to parents to request going to teacher;
Special Education: 2 years transfer process from County to Consortium;
Oct. 30th 2 hour training specific to Special Ed, Bullying, 6-8pm Open public training for Board conducted by SELPA.
MP requests Parents, Staff and adult community model positive behavior; respectful language, KS- include electronic communication as well.
MOU- close to finalizing, meeting tomorrow with Frank Blundo, Jim Brown.
Upcoming events- Pirate pass tomorrow at New Frontiers, 5% goes to garden. Jog a Thon/Carnival

- g) Treasurer's Report
 - i. Financial Statements, Board Report as of 8/31/2013;
LW nothing noteworthy; PTSO money goes through 401K;

- 5) Discuss timeline for updating By Laws and Board documents
MP- By Laws can be changed but must operate under Charter. In the process of updating documents; KS has offered to continue to help; update By Laws to reflect additional teacher position added as Board Member & Director removed as voting member. District seems amiable. Charter renewal next Dec.

- 6) Discuss & vote on distribution of funds from E-Scrip
**KS motions to distribute funds: JR 2nd: unanimous
CU**

Public Comment before vote- NONE

- 7) Review and approve Unaudited Actuals

LW Unemployment percents were off; benefits were off; (Budget vs. Unaudited Actuals 2012-2013)
MP motions that Board accepts unaudited actuals as presented; KS 2nd; unanimous

- 8) Discuss and Vote on Board Candidates
 - a) Public Comment before vote- NONE

KS nominated Mitchi JP n; JR y; BB y; KS y; LW y; MSW n; CU y; 1 abstain (MP) 5/2

JP nominated, JR 2nd; JP y; JR y; BB y; LW n; KS y MSW y; CU y; 6/1 1 abstain (MP)