

Discovery High School

Governing Board Meeting Minutes 8/8/2017

The following members were present:

Carol Fulks	Executive Director/Treasurer
Charlotte Butler	Chairperson/Community Member
Mike Jones	Community Member
Catherine Walker	Community Member
Linda Williams	Community Member
Jill Dunbar	Secretary

Welcome

Charlotte Butler welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 9:40 AM. Butler welcomed the new teacher representative, Megan Stevens.

Minutes

There were no additions or correction to the minutes from 6/20/2017. Mike Jones made a motion to accept the minutes; Kitty Walker seconded the motion. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report

George Miarecki, CPA, gave the financial update to the Board line item by line item. He stated that DHS was right on budget with State revenues. Expenses were very close to being on budget. An additional employee was hired for guidance. DHS used all Federal CSP Grant funds. IDEA funds were received late; all funds were not expended.

Miarecki reviewed the Title I Budget; DHS will receive \$83,000 this year. An additional guidance counselor and Title I Parent Involvement Para were hired.

Linda Williams made a motion to accept the Title I Budget. Kitty Walker seconded the motion and it was passed by unanimous vote.

President's Report

Carol Fulks stated that enrollment was currently at 480, but expecting to be close to the target number of 520 students. DHS is still accepting students at this time. Stevens mentioned that some 10th grade students had left the school for the collegiate program.

Fulks reviewed the Personnel actions for the Board, stating that DHS still has 2 science teacher positions open.

Mike Jones made a motion to accept all personnel actions. Kitty Walker seconded the motion and it was passed by unanimous vote.

Old Business

It was mentioned that the Teacher Evaluation changes would be voted on in the next board meeting.

Carol Fulks then handed out paperwork to the Board member regarding the Teacher Evaluation System Procedures. She explained the procedures to the Board. Charlotte Butler asked how many teachers each evaluator would have. Warren stated that each evaluator would have approximately 17, with evaluators being the Principal and Assistant Principals.

Linda Williams felt the administration had done a good job and the evaluation process will be better. Patricia Miller thought it would ensure fairness across the board. Charlotte Butler thought the system would now be more consistent.

Mike Jones made a motion to accept the same Procedures for Evaluators as DALA as shown above. Linda Williams seconded the motion and it was passed by unanimous vote.

Fulks gave the Board a construction update. DHS has 8 portables in place at this time to be used for approximately 4-5 weeks. The PE portables will remain until construction of the gym is completed sometime in February. The second floor of the admin building will be used for classrooms until the gym is completed.

New Business

Carol Fulks presented a Title I update. The budget will be updated when they receive the dollar amount due to increased enrollment. DHS has been given more time for plan to be put in place. Linda Williams asked if it would mimic DALA's and Fulks stated that it would not; DHS is moving more towards grade level performance.

Carol Fulks asked the Board to allow \$500,000 to be liquidated from investments, keeping \$200,000 as cash available at DALA and using the other \$300,000 for items needed at DHS. The \$300,000 would be reinvested when the Federal Grant money is paid to DHS.

Mike Jones made a motion to liquidate \$500,000 of investments to be used as Fulks presented. Linda Williams seconded the motion and it was passed by unanimous vote.

Board Members Report

Megan Stevens stated that parents and students are excited about the school and teachers are very organized and liking it as well. She also stated that the students have been given a voice for items such as school colors and logo.

Charlotte Butler asked about the "D" grade DHS received for the 16-17 school year. Fulks explained that she had already filed an appeal on that issue. The District is

currently evaluating the appeal, but has not responded yet. Fulks will keep the Board updated on this matter.

Mike Jones mentioned that this is a very small setback in the construction time delay for such a large project. The community members he speaks with are very excited about DHS.

Carol Fulks stated that DHS is very strong in sports, knowing how much students like them.

Kitty Walker thanked everyone for all of the hard work they have contributed.

Adjournment

Mike Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:15am. Linda Williams seconded it. The motion was passed unanimously.

Next Meeting: October 10, 2017
Following DALA Board Meeting,
beginning at 8:30 AM in the
Discovery Academy of Lake Alfred
Media Center

Board Approved
10/12/2017
Date