

Discovery High School

Governing Board Meeting Minutes 8/13/2019

The following members were present:

Carol Fulks
Charlotte Butler
Mike Jones
Aimee Diaz
Mary Pulse

Executive Director/Treasurer
Chairperson/Community Member
Community Member
Community Member
Secretary

Welcome

Charlotte Butler welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM.

Minutes

Mrs. Butler asked if anyone had any additions or correction to the minutes from 6/11/18. Aimee Diaz made a motion to accept the minutes as written; Mike Jones seconded the motion. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report

George Miarecki, CPA, reviewed the financial statements for the Board line item by line item. Miarecki then reviewed the 18-19 budgets v. actual costs. Overall the school was close to budget. DHS was slightly higher in actual costs vs. budget for Instructional costs, mainly due to the cost of new textbooks. Personnel costs, however, were slightly lower so everything balanced out.

President's Report

Carol Fulks stated that the current enrollment for the 19-20 school year on day one was 877, with 248 9th graders, 250 10th graders, 207 11th graders and 172 12th graders. DHS is currently enrolling more students from the waiting list for 11th and 12th grades. At the current time the waitlist has 124 9th graders, 20 10th graders, 14 11th graders and 7 12th graders.

Fulks reviewed the personnel actions for the Board.

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

Old Business

Carol Fulks stated that DHS has a School Improvement Plan and School Compact Plan similar to DALA.

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Aimee Diaz made a motion to accept all the School Improvement and School Compact Plans; Mike Jones seconded the motion and it was passed by unanimous vote.

Mrs. Fulks asked Mark Whitehead to give a Safe Schools Update. Mr. Whitehead said the electronic gate was operational with everyone now being buzzed in the gate by the front desk. There are also cameras that DHS personnel can use to see who is coming through the gates. Officer Trent O'Neal has returned as the SRO.

Mr. Whitehead also said new initiatives are being created for safety. A team that was created to observe and make suggestions for improvements is creating an assessment plan. This should be completed by October 1.

Fulks presented the Board with a construction update. The portables have been moved off the new construction site. Permits are now required for the portables. They are currently not occupied due to some power issues but should be open for the students on August 14th. Construction will begin soon on the last building and everyone is hoping it is open to students during the second semester of this new school year.

New Business

Mrs. Fulks updated the board regarding a new Attendance Policy that will be in place for this school year at DHS. The Board was very supportive and thought the new policy was exactly what is needed at the high school level.

Aimee Diaz made a motion to accept the new attendance policy; Mike Jones seconded the motion and it was passed by unanimous vote.

Board Member Report

Charlotte Butler expressed excitement at the prospect of DHS being completed during this school year.

Adjournment

Aimee Diaz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 AM. Mike Jones seconded the motion and it was passed by unanimous vote.

Next Meeting: **October 15, 2019**
Following DALA Board Meeting,
beginning at 8:30 AM in the
Discovery Academy of Lake Alfred
Media Center