

Discovery High School

Governing Board Meeting Minutes 1/14/2020

The following members were present:

Carol Fulks	Executive Director/Treasurer
Charlotte Butler	Chairperson/Community Member
Gregory Holloman	Community Member
Aimee Diaz	Community Member
John Taylor	Community Member
Linda Williams	Community Member
Christina Pixley	Teacher
Mary Pulse	Secretary

Charlotte Butler welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 9:20 AM.

Minutes

A motion was made by Linda Williams to accept the 10/22/19 minutes as written. John Taylor seconded the motion. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report

George Miarecki, CPA reviewed the annual financial audit that was done by McCrady & Associates. Mr. Miarecki reviewed various sections of the audit with the governing board and reported that Discovery High School was compliant with all rules and regulations. The auditors found no errors and no suggestions were made.

The vote to accept the audit results was made in a motion by John Taylor, seconded by Aimee Diaz and passed by a unanimous vote.

George Miarecki, CPA, reviewed the financial statements with the Board line item by line item. Expenditures exceeded revenue slightly due to continued growth of Discovery High School. Mr. Miarecki stated that DHS is in a much better position financially than in previous years.

Miarecki then reviewed the investments in more detail saying assets for DHS are increasing each year. There is a plan in place to repay Discovery Academy for furniture and additional start up help that was given to DHS originally.

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George Miarecki also discussed that the instructional expenses were spot on with what was budgeted. FTE went down slightly but DHS has still saved a good deal of money to be used for future growth.

Mr. Miarecki informed the board that IDEA money was received that is to be allocated to staff and supplies.

The Dining Hall revenues are doing well with a left over amount of \$30,000.

A vote was put before the board to approve the IDEA and Dining Hall Budgets. John Taylor made the motion to approve, seconded by Aimee Diaz and the vote was unanimous.

President's Report

Carol Fulks stated the current enrollment for Discovery High School is 830 with 248 in 9th grade, 228 in 10th grade, 192 in 11th grade and 162 in 12th grade.

Open Enrollment began on Monday, January 13 will continue through January 27, 2020. The 9th grade applications received on Day 1 was 190! At the rate applications are being received, a lengthy wait list is anticipated after Open Enrollment.

Mrs. Fulks then presented the personnel actions saying two Science teachers have resigned and two replacements have already been hired and are in the classrooms.

Aimee Diaz made a motion to accept all personnel actions and Linda Williams seconded the motion. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

Old Business

Mrs. Fulks gave a construction update to the Governing Board about the new Humanities Building being planned. Work on the ground and surrounding area of the building will begin in February. Once this ground work is finished the building will take 6 months to complete. Completion is expected during the 2020-2021 school year.

Mrs. Fulks gave a Safe Schools update; quotes are now being accepted to install security cameras in the Administration Building.

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New Business

Mrs. Fulks addressed the Best and Brightest money received from the state. Mrs. Fulks is working with the other principals at Discovery on criteria to distribute the money so that the most teachers will qualify to receive money from the state.

Exact details on the distribution of Best & Brightest Money will be available at the March board meeting.

Mrs. Fulks brought before the board the new Tardy Policy put in place at DHS. The policy states that initial tardies are addressed with warnings but each subsequent tardy will received an increased consequence.

Mrs. Pixley added that since the new Tardy Policy has taken affect, she can already see a difference in the students getting into the classroom on time.

Board Member Report

The board members thanked Mrs. Fulks for the continued hard work being done at Discovery High School. All the board members are very excited about the start of the new Humanities Building at DHS.

Christina Pixley told the board about the sports rally being held on January 16th and a dance in the gym on January 18th. Students are very excited about both upcoming activities.

Aimee Diaz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:53 AM.

Next Meeting: March 10, 2020
8:30 AM in the Discovery Academy
of Lake Alfred Media Center

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