

# Discovery High School

## Governing Board Meeting Minutes 3/10/2020

The following members were present:

Carol Fulks	Executive Director/Treasurer
Charlotte Butler	Chairperson/Community Member
Aimee Diaz	Community Member
Linda Williams	Community Member
Nancy Daley	Community Member
John Taylor	Community Member
Mary Pulse	Secretary

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

### **Minutes**

A motion was made by Aimee Diaz to accept the 1/14/2020 minutes as written. Linda Williams seconded the motion. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

### **Treasurer's Report**

George Miarecki, CPA, reviewed the financial statements with the board line item by line item, stating that DHS is on target with Budget & Revenue vs. actual.

Miarecki informed the board DHS Food Services has \$57,000 on hand, which will be extremely helpful when the time comes for Discovery High School to branch off and handle their own food services. Mr. Miarecki said that it takes about a year to get approved by the state to become an independent site.

### **President's Report**

Carol Fulks presented the enrollment figures to the Board: 837 students with 254 in 9<sup>th</sup> grade, 230 in 10<sup>th</sup> grade, 189 in 11<sup>th</sup> grade and 164 in 12<sup>th</sup> grade. .

Open Enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year went well, we will be accepting 240 9<sup>th</sup> graders and have received 387 applications for 9<sup>th</sup> grade. As of today, we have received 84 applications for 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade and all will be accepted. The goal is to have 240 students in each grade.

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Date

Linda Williams asked if the majority of incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade students come from Discovery Academy and Mrs. Fulks informed her that yes the majority come from DALA.

There were no Personnel Actions to be reviewed by the board.

### **Old Business**

Carol Fulks presented the board with all the information concerning the state's Best & Brightest Program. There are four components, Recruitment, Retention, Recognition and Principal/Executive Director Award. The only difference between Best & Brightest awards for DHS versus DALA is that DHS teachers qualify for the Retention awards because DHS improved more than three percentage points.

Linda Williams made a motion to accept the Best & Brightest policies and procedures and Aimee Diaz seconded the motion. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

Mrs. Fulks informed the board that she is working closely with Mr. George Miarecki on getting a bond to combine all the DHS loans into one. A special board meeting may have to be called in April to finalize this.

### **New Business**

Carol Fulks presented the board with the revised Returning Bonus Policy. The revisions include what happens if an employee has a break in service as well as if someone resigns after having received the returning bonus.

Linda Williams made a motion to accept the revised Returning Bonus policy and Aimee Diaz seconded the motion. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

Mrs. Fulks shared with the board the 2020-2021 calendar.

Nancy Daley made a motion to accept the 2020-2021 School Calendar and Aimee Diaz seconded the motion. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

### **Board Member Report**

Charlotte Butler asked how long until the next building is complete at DHS, Mrs. Fulks informed everyone that completion will be in approximately six months. The plan is to add three portables for the 2020-2021 school year.

Christina Pixley, the teacher representative told the board about some upcoming activities at DHS including a pep rally being held that day. Many seniors participated in taking tours of various college campuses including USF and UCF.

Charlotte Butler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 AM.

Next Meeting: June 9, 2020  
8:30 AM in the Discovery Academy  
of Lake Alfred Media Center