

Discovery High School
Governing Board Meeting Minutes
01/09/2023

The following members were present:

Carol Fulks	Executive Director/Treasurer
Nancy Daley	Chairperson/Community Member
Charlotte Butler	Community Member
John Taylor	Community Member
Doretha Tillman	Community Member
Tania Sims	Secretary

Nancy Daley welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 8:55 AM.

Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Nancy Daley to accept the 10/10/23 minutes as written. Charlotte Butler seconded the motion. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report

George Miarecki, CPA, reviewed the financial statements with each Board line item individually.

Mr. Miarecki review Discovery High financials on operating funds of November, 2023.

Mr. Miarecki said that we are receiving money for 880 students and when we look at the percentage of what is remaining vs this time of the year and month, we are ahead in every category.

Mr. Miarecki said that we are on budget for revenue, instructional right on budget. Also, Mr. Miarecki mentioned that we have enough save up for the payroll for the months of June and July.

Mr. Miarecki stated that there is a certain percentage that you have to meet for the bonds to be issued, Discovery schools needs to hire a Manager Consultant service.

Ms. Daley asked in what line item does the expense come from?

Mr. Miarecki responded that it will put in to administration/contracted.

Ms. Daley asked if this service is going to be for both Discovery schools?

Mr. Miarecki said that it will be for both schools, DALA and DHS.

A motion was made by Ms. Daley to accept the Bond Management Consulting services and fee. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

President's Report

Mrs. Fulks shared the current enrollment for Discovery High is 796 students. There are 232 in 9th grade, 214 in 10th grade, 196 in 11th grade and 164 12th graders as 10/10/2023. We have a waiting list of 42 for 9th grade, 24 for 10th grade, 14 for 11th grade and 9 for 12th grade.

Mrs. Fulks then presented the personnel actions. The personnel actions were put to a vote and Charlotte Butler voted to accept, seconded by Doretha Tillman. The Personnel Actions were passed with a unanimous vote.

Old Business

Mrs. Fulks presented the dates for open enrollment for 2024-2025 – January 16-29, 2024.

Ms. Daley mentioned that DHS is having an orientation for open enrollment and it will be available to people on zoom. Ms. Daley stated that it is a great idea!

Mr. Jemison shared a Title One update; DHS is doing a festival night for Seniors' parents.

Mr. Jemison mentioned some of the programs they are looking at to encourage student to apply at DHS. There are two programs that have been really successful, Performant Art and Business Program.

New Business

Mr. Warren stated that there was a new Legislation that changed the standards with a new evaluation system. Discovery Schools researched a lot of ideas and we came across one from the Florida Consortium of public charter schools which is already state approved and already line up with what Discovery Schools are doing.

Ms. Daley asked when is this new evaluation system going to start?

Mr. Warren said that it is going to start next school year 2024-2025 and every year Discovery can evaluate the plan.

Mr. Jemison shared information regarding the Student Growth Plan.

A motion was made by Ms. Daley to approve the Consortium Evaluation System and Student Growth Plan. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Jemison presented a new Internet Safety Policy. Mr. Jemison stated that based off the meeting with the county and safety meeting, all schools are required to have an Internet Safety Policy.

A motion was made by Ms. Daley to accept the Internet Safety Policy. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

Mrs. DiBrango mentioned that DHS teachers were asking if they were getting a raise.

Board Member Report

Mr. Taylor asked for a formal report for a program to improve DHS sports program.

A motion was made by Ms. Daley to look into new extracurricular programs. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned by Nancy Daley at 9:43 A.M.

Next Meeting: June 4th, 2024
Discovery High School Meeting
at 8:30 AM – DALA's Media Center