

Scholar Academy
Board Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2015

Location: 928 North 100 East, Tooele, UT 84074

In Attendance: Sandra Larsen, Alison McCoy, Jared Hamner, Tye Hoffman, Dusty Griffith, Joyce James

Others In Attendance: Sandy Shepard, Kim Dohrer, Gavin Hutchinson, Shirley Atkinson, Krystal Taylor

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Sandra Larsen called the meeting to order at 5:08 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CONSENT ITEMS

❖ Approve June 15th Board Meeting Minutes

Jared Hamner made a motion to approve the June 15th, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes, with the spelling correction of Alison McCoy's name. Alison McCoy seconded the motion. Dusty Griffith abstained. The motion passed with a majority vote.

❖ Approve August 4th Electronic Board Meeting Minutes

Tye Hoffman made a motion to approve the August 4th, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes. Joyce James seconded the motion. Dusty Griffith abstained. The motion passed with a majority vote.

❖ Ratify New Hires

- Pamela Adams, 4th grade/Title 1 TA; Peggy Asay, Special Education TA; Sorine Goodworth, 2nd Grade/Kindergarten TA; Erica Robinson 4th/6th Grade TA.

Sandy Shepard provided a brief overview for each of the new hires and the roles in which each will serve.

Jared Hamner made a motion to ratify the new hires. Tye Hoffman seconded the motion. Dusty Griffith abstained. The motion passed with a majority vote.

REPORTS

❖ Principal's Report

Sandy Shepard discussed the involvement of students in the Play Before School Program where prizes can be won for being active. Healthy snack time will now be implemented in the afternoon hours of the school day. Mrs. Shepard also discussed professional development days, the mentorship program and its functionality. Mrs. Shepard discussed school enrollment numbers, demographics, and future enrollment opportunities available through a satellite campus. Following this discussion, Sandy Shepard, Jared Hamner, and Dusty Griffith were appointed to serve on a Satellite Committee. The committee will explore satellite opportunities and report back to the board.

❖ Literacy Goals

Sandy Shepard discussed the school's literacy goals and provided the Board with a written plan. The Board will continue the discussion at the next Board meeting.

❖ Lottery

Sandy Shepard gave an overview of the current enrollment numbers and indicated that the lottery is healthy.

BUSINESS ITEMS

❖ Discuss and vote to approve Utah Consolidated Achievement Plan

Sandy Shepard reviewed the Utah Consolidated Achievement Plan and the manner in which these restricted funds would be utilized by the school.

Tye Hoffman made a motion to approve the Utah Consolidated Application; Alison McCoy seconded the motion. Dusty Griffith abstained. The motion passed with a majority vote.

❖ Discuss and vote to approve New Building Plan

Tye Hoffman made a motion to approve the new building plans. Joyce James seconded the motion. Dusty Griffith abstained. The motion passed with a majority vote.

❖ Discuss and vote to approve an Amendment to the Lease Agreement

Alison McCoy made a motion to approve the amendment to the lease agreement. Tye Hoffman seconded the motion. Dusty Griffith abstained. The motion passed with a majority vote.

- ❖ Discuss and vote to approve the Political Signs on School Property Policy

Tye Hoffman made a motion to approve the Political Signs on School Property Policy. Jared Hamner seconded the motion. Dusty Griffith abstained. The motion passed with a majority vote.

- ❖ Discuss and vote to approve the Family Education Rights and Privacy (FERPA) Policy

Jared Hamner made a motion to approve the FERPA Policy with the addition of written consent as follows: "The School may not disclose information related to education records without prior parental written consent", and the recommendation to look into psychological protection for a child. Joyce James seconded the motion. Dusty Griffith abstained. The motion passed with a majority vote.

- ❖ Discuss and vote to approve the Civil Rights Policy

Tye Hoffman made a motion to approve the Civil Rights Policy. Alison McCoy seconded the motion. Dusty Griffith abstained. The motion passed with a majority vote.

- ❖ Discuss and vote to approve the Arrest Reporting Policy

Alison McCoy made a motion to approve the Arrest Reporting Policy. Jared Hamner seconded the motion. Dusty Griffith abstained. The motion passed with a majority vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- ❖ Imagine Learning

Sandy Shepard discussed the Imagine Learning program, which is a very strong reading program for students. Teachers are beginning to implement this program in the classroom.

- ❖ DIBELS Requirements

Sandy Shepard discussed recent changes to the DIBELS requirements. Current scores were shown and evaluated by the Board. Mrs. Shepard stressed the importance of helping students become proficient in reading.

CALENDARING

- ❖ November 17, 2015 Board Meeting – 5:00PM, Location: Scholar Academy

CLOSED SESSION

To discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.

At 6:35 Jared Hamner made a motion to enter closed session to discuss an individual's character, professional competence, or physical or mental health. Alison McCoy seconded the motion. Voting was as follows: Alison McCoy, Aye; Sandra Larsen, Aye; Jared Hamner, Aye; Dusty Griffith, Aye; Joyce James, Aye; Tye Hoffman, Aye. Voting was unanimous and the motion passed.

Jared Hamner made a motion to adjourn the closed session and resume open session. Tye Hoffman seconded the motion. Voting was as follows: Jared Hamner, Aye; Tye Hoffman, Aye; Dusty Griffith, Aye; Joyce James, Aye; Alison McCoy, Aye. Voting was unanimous and the motion passed.

ADJOURN

Sandra Larsen adjourned the meeting at 7:00 pm