

MINUTES

Academy of Dover Charter School Board of Directors

8/21/2014 6:07 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Kimeu Boynton

In Attendance

Kimeu Boynton, Nancy Wagner, Leida Sanchez, Beverly Davis, Jaqueline Allman, Leon Battle, Noel Rodriguez

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes of July 31, 2014

Moved by: Mrs. Wagner

Seconded by: Ms. Davis

Motion carried unanimously

Board

Quorum established

Motion to go into Executive Session at 6:08 p.m.

Moved by: Mrs. Wagner

Seconded by: Mr. Battle

Motion carried unanimously

Motion to go into Open Session at 6:10 p.m.

Moved by: Mr. Battle

Seconded by: Mrs. Wagner

Motion carried unanimously

Advisory Committee

Budget

Preliminary Budget for the 2014-2015 school year, these numbers are based on projected receipts but most of the numbers are based on last year's numbers, we do not know what the state will give us. Our count fluctuates until the unit count is over. If we fall into the projections that we are looking at now and based on last year's expenditures we stand to have a surplus of \$219,943.39 at the end of this coming school year.

Summary of fiscal year where we have \$9,280.00 from IDEA B is that going back or is it going to be recoded? Mr. Rodriguez confirmed that it has already been spent. This report was done in July we had until the middle of August to get it encumbered.

Financials look good per Mrs. Sanchez.

We encumbered all of the outstanding balances of the fiscal year 13 – Title II B, Title II A, IDEA B before the deadline.

Financials were Approved

Moved by: Mrs. Sanchez

Seconded by: Mr. Battle

Motion carried unanimously

Principal's Report

I would like to have permission from the board to add on the agenda in the future a parent report and a teacher report because we have those two representatives on the board and they never get an opportunity to speak.

Audit is going well, projected to be completed early next week, will have a preliminary draft in two weeks.

- Board needs to reevaluate all of our regulations so we can re-vote on them and if we need to make any changes we can make it current.
- Mrs. Wagner asked what reports are due to DOE in September and when? The Consolidated Grant was submitted but we go back and forth for many reasons. The grant references DCAS so in essence every time they ask a question it was mute because we are not going to use DCAS.
- State wants the agenda and the minutes posted on our website.

New Business

- Upgrades in the school – Board had already approved the smart boards, they will be installed in September, training will be provided by the staff.
- Purchased a digitized version of Dibels (reading assessment) for the teachers. WIFI will be installed throughout the hallways in the school to assist the teachers when they administer the assessments to the students.
- We are looking to replace the large freezer in the cafeteria – want to install outside of the building. We are getting quotes on the freezer. Mrs. Silva received a quote of \$10,000.00
- Purchased new basketball courts.
- Drafting preliminary designs to enlarge the playground, possibly for next year.
- New schedule for related arts teachers. We eliminated technology and it left us with an extra day. In the spirit of smarter balance which really looks at student's ability not only to master concepts but to apply them in real work situations. The related arts have gotten together and created a program where it is going to do that. Students will apply their knowledge they have in mathematics and science. I have asked them to put together a comprehensive explanation of what they are doing and they are going to present it at the next board meeting which is September 18th. So far from what I can see it is running smoothly. One of the feed backs from the teachers is it freed the teachers from lunch duty because related arts would do all of the lunches.
- Technology will be learned in the classroom. We will revisit this but for this year it was not feasible. We have 8 computers in each classroom.
- Fifth Grade is coming along but at this point we have 36 kids in the classroom and two staff members. Need to wait till the unit count is over to see where we stand to see if we generate a unit for another teacher.
- Title II Teacher incentives – We will look at teachers effectiveness and then based on how many teachers meet the criteria we take the total number that we set aside and divide it up and that is what their bonus's will be.
- Facility – Up grading our locking mechanisms in the school
- Music Program – Reshaping the music program. We have a set of instruments that we own so it will be a first come first serve, a fee of \$100.00 for the school year for the rental of our instruments. At the end of the year if they have any damage other than the normal wear and tear they will have to pay for repairs. Money will be put in a separate state account, strictly for the music department. Music teacher is looking to create a band booster so the parents can start to do things to support the music program.

Committee Reports

- The Board asked if you had a chance to go back over the security plan with DOE?
- What about the 1 or 2% for staff, Noel said he will not discuss until after the unit count.

Announcements

Next Meeting

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Motion to Adjourn at 7:05 p.m.

Moved by: Mrs. Wagner

Seconded by: Ms. Davis

Motion carried unanimously