REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
DISCOVERY CHARTER SCHOOL
Room 2
Wednesday, November 16, 2011

Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER
President Eagle called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M.

A. President Eagle established the existence of a quorum, with the following members present: Ms. Eagle, Mr. Stajner, Ms. Watjen, Mr. Fiss and Ms. Michels

II. OPEN SESSION – 7:00

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
A. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President Eagle

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS - NONE

V. REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION
A. Two items were discussed in closed session, no action was taken

VI. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
The agenda was approved as presented.

VII. REPORTS
A. Student Council Report – E.D. Jones reported that the Store of Discovery would be opening soon.

B. Teacher Report – 2/3 teachers R. Milco, J. Gallagher, and D. Porter reported on 2/3 math placements. This year the team tried a different approach when placing students which included a placement test and interview. So far this has been a positive change.

C. PSC Report – Ms. Neff has resigned as the Auction Chair and a team is being assembled. The committee is looking at a family dance that will combine an auction. The first dance of the year has been held for Middle School students. It was well attended and the new D.J. was well received. November 30 will be a Fresh and Easy night. The Fresh and Easy receipts have earned $317.00 to date. Scrip has grosses $7,315.75 with $486.08 given back to family accounts for a profit of $6,829.67.

D. Superintendent/Executive Director Report
The Superintendent/Executive Director reported on the following:
• County Personnel Audit – Student and Personnel files were audited by the SCCOE with no findings.
• County Monitoring Visit – Lucretia Peebles and staff from the SCCOE visited the school to audit the program. A visit of classrooms took place with praise for the staff and their work with students. There were no findings.
• Conferences – Conferences were held and went well.
Drop Off Procedures – Mark Barmore from MSD has visited twice to observe the drop off procedures.

Joe DiSalvo Visit – Mr. DiSalvo toured the campus and classrooms and discussed possible collaboration between schools.

Neighborhood Excellence Initiative Award – Parent Libby Morris was the recipient of a $5,000.00 award for her volunteer efforts. E.D. Jones attended the ceremony, and Ms. Morris has donated the money to the school.

Finance Report – A report of the current finances was given. Budget revisions will take place in January.

Annual Funds Drive Report – The Funds Drive is at $355,661.00 promised, with $218,802.47 collected. Current participation is at 70%.

Enrollment Report – We currently have 571 students.

VIII. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. On a motion made by Mr. Fiss, seconded by Mr. Stajner, the Board voted to approve Motion #111116.1 to approve 2012 Open Enrollment and Lottery dates. Approved 5-0-0-0-0.

B. On a motion made by Ms. Michels, seconded by Mr. Fiss, the Board voted to approve Motion #111116.2 to approve the Flexible Funding Resolution. Approved 5-0-0-0-0.

C. On a motion made by Mr. Stajner, seconded by Ms. Michels, the Board voted to approve Motion # 111116.3 to approve the Sick Leave Policy for Certificated Employees. Approved 5-0-0-0-0.

D. On a motion made by Ms. Michels, seconded by Mr. Stajner, the Board voted to approve Motion # 111116.4 to approve the 2011-2012 Emergency Plan. Approved 5-0-0-0-0.

E. On a motion made by Mr. Fiss, seconded by Ms Michels, the Board voted to approve Motion# 111116.5 to approve the Student Absence Policy (effective 1/3/12). Approved 5-0-0-0-0.

IX. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR (ACTION)

These agenda items are considered routine and will be approved in one action without discussion. If a Board member requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar or a citizen wishes to speak to an item, the item will be considered under Action Items.

A. On a motion made by Ms. Michels, seconded by Ms. Watjen, the Board voted to approve Motion # 111116.6 to approve the consent calendar as presented. Approved 5-0-0-0-0.

X. BOARD MEMBERS’ REPORTS / CORRESPONDENCE / BOARD OPERATIONS / RECOGNITION

This is an opportunity for Board members to address activities, correspondence, and operations and to acknowledge or recognize specific programs, activities, or personnel.

A. Reports - Mr. Fiss has been conducting staff interviews and will compile all reports when ready.

B. Correspondence – None

C. Board Calendar - Next Regular Meeting will be moved to December 13th at 6:00

- Board/Staff luncheon will be held on December 14th

D. Future Agenda Items

XI. ADJOURN

The Board adjourned without objection at 8:40 P.M.