

Eddyville Charter School

Board of Directors Minutes of Meeting

October 18, 2012

Board Members In attendance: Dana Scarborough, Larry Cook, Patty Kinion, Jenny Demaris, and Kevin McBride

Absent Board Members: Christy Turner, Paul Schneidecker, Shyla Luckini and Spring Howard

Administration Present: Dennis Schultz, Ann Cook and Lisa Renfrow

Meeting called to order by Kevin McBride at 6:37

Interested Parties:

No interested parties.

Written Communication and Acknowledgments:

No written communication.

Reading of the Minutes:

A motion was made by Larry Cook to approve the minutes as written and seconded by Dana Scarborough. All members present voted in agreement.

Financial Report:

Larry Cook made a motion to approve the financial report as presented (check #'s 15223-15300 for a total of \$58,567.77) .The motion was seconded by Patty Kinion and all members voted in agreement to approve.

Student Enrollment Report:

Current enrollment is 223 students K-12. This reflects an addition of two students during the month. We continue to receive calls from parents inquiring about enrollment and the desire to be added to the wait list.

Administrative Report:

Mr. Schultz reported to the Board the status of our emergency drills. Drills are performed monthly keeping to state standards and following the LCSD schedule. This month students and staff participated in a school wide Code Red and an Earth Quake Drill.

Mr. Schultz met with a group of members from the Veteran's of Foreign War to discuss revamping the shotgun and marksmanship clubs. Currently plans are to offer this activity

during second semester to students in grade 6-12 having a C or better grade average. Safety instruction will also be given prior to the start of target shooting for the day. Next year we like to incorporate hunter safety during the 1st semester as an elective.

Improvements and updates to water safety continue as Landon Lightle works closely with Amy Chapman of Lincoln County Health. The contractor who initially installed the calcite contact concentrator has also been contacted to come and evaluate their system. Once/if it is determined that the equipment is functioning properly we will be able to fulfill the water tests required by the state.

The construction of the storage building off the multi-purpose room is progressing. Bids for gutters are being reviewed, confirmed and sent onto L.C.S.D. for approval to proceed.

For School Improvement on October 19, Elementary staff will attend an 8 hour Non-Violent Crisis Intervention training in Newport, while the Secondary staff participates in a half day Credit by Proficiency training on site.

Next week is Red Ribbon Week. Mrs. Kellison's Aspire class made up of juniors and seniors worked with law enforcement agencies to coordinate activities to promote drug awareness and prevention activities. An assembly will be held for students in grades 4-12 with a power point presentation by deputy sheriff Bruster and a visit from the Newport Police Department's K-9 unit headed up by officer Keith Garrett and his police dog Eyan.

A schedule is being put together for K-9 visits to take place to heighten student awareness and send a clear message that we want a safe, drug free campus. The K-9 team is under contact with L.C.S.D. and is a free service to Eddyville Charter School. Mr. Schultz shared with the Board he is also having conversations with students about policies and will pursue training to put in place tobacco awareness and intervention programs.

Jenny Demaris pointed out the importance of making students aware of policies before putting into place.

In a conversation about health and safety: Jenny Demaris suggested inviting the Fire Department to participate in safety awareness and drills. Dana Scarborough would like to see informational materials available about domestic abuse. Patty Kinion mentioned that there were many health and safety resources and hotline information available that would be helpful if displayed in an area for students and families to access. Jenny Demaris offered to pick up materials to be displayed at conferences on October 24/25.

Mr. Schultz approached the Board about increasing Art teacher Stacey Stoudenmeyer's FTE to fulltime on B days. With the rationale of bringing on a highly qualified teacher to support math and build a Fine Arts program.

Concerns by members were expressed of going over the 80% of budget for salaries, the laying off of staff in the past and now adding, and the unclear plan of assignment. Dana Scarborough inquired about the outcomes of the added FTE. Patty Kinion thought building a Fine Arts program was attractive for a small school, but wanted to insure it

was budget friendly. Much concern was expressed about reducing staff at the end of the year.

Ann Cook wants to be certain our contingency fund is in good shape to take care of building emergencies that may arise.

Ann Cook referenced page 12 in the Board packet requesting Student Body Funds be separated from the Eddyville Charter School General fund. Total funds that will be separated from the general fund budget \$36,439.60. A motion was made by Dana Scarborough to accept the resolution to separate the funds. A second to the motion was made by Jenny Demaris and all members voting in agreement.

Resolution #003-1213 (Page 13) Supplemental budget proposal to accept the total increased amount of \$155,390.00 to the 2012-13 fiscal year budget as described by Ann Cook was presented for Board approval. Patty Kinion made a motion to accept the resolution. Dana Scarborough seconded the motion and all members voted in agreement.

Committee Reports:

No committee reports

Old Business:

Mr. Schultz explained to the Board the new visitor policies that have been put in place and available on the school website. Volunteers and parents are encouraged to visit and are welcome to participate upon signing in at the front office and getting a visitors badge. In addition we have adopted a new policy for guests attending school dances.

New Business:

Board membership: Two members have not attended the last three meetings. Jenny Demaris made a motion to remove Shyla Luckini as a Board member due to lack of attendance, and a letter of warning be sent to Paul Schneidecker. Larry Cook seconded the motion and all members voted in agreement. Members expressed concern about the lack of interest and commitment to creating an active Board. A discussion generated a number of ideas hoping to build interest: inviting students to present projects and accomplishments, posting minutes on the website, having teachers showcase activities, article in the school newsletter with a Board member Bio., etc.

Meeting Adjourned:

A motion was made by Larry Cook to adjourn the meeting, Jenny Demaris seconded the motion, and all members were in agreement.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58