

April 23rd, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Attendees: R. Wilson, L. Hamer, T. Muniz, K. Sandiford, C. Williams, C. Rice, D. Benons, D. Dunlap, S. Fairclough-Leslie

After a short welcome from L. Hamer, the meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m.

Verification of public notice was reported by Ms. Muniz.

The attendance sheet was signed and submitted to Ms. Muniz.

The agenda was reviewed R. Wilson made the motion to accept the agenda with necessary corrections; D. Benons seconded the motion.

The minutes from last meeting were reviewed; K. Sandiford made a motion to accept minutes from March 26th with any necessary corrections. C. Williams seconded the motion.

Business Operations Report – Ms. Muniz

282 K-5 students registered; 36 UPK students registered; 2 ELL students (1 st & 2 nd grade). 893 total applications received 17 ELL applications out of the 893. Accepted 28 Pre-K students; accepted 47K students. Grades 1-6 all went on the wait list. Financial Summary Report (Budget vs. Actual) and Cash disbursement report was handed out; in good financial standing. Preparing compliance financials for quarter 3 for NYCDOE; reviewing documents to prepare for preliminary 2018-2019 audit. Preparation has begun for the school 2018-2019 budget.

CEO Report – Dr. Rice

In the final steps for obtaining the permanent C of O; in preparation to prepare work with architect to demolish house on Baisley Blvd. and begin expansion of school. Met with Northfield Bank for final signoff for funding for expansion. CEO of Northfield Bank will be here on school premises for walk through of school and expansion site. The lease rental assistance has been finalized and approved and REACS is now paying market-rate rent for use of church facilities for school; REACS will be receiving rent assistance because of this. Currently travelling to Albany and working with the Charter School Network (attending a Charters of Color/Collaborative Conference in Austin, Texas) to receive additional school funding.

Principal Report – D. Dunlap via N. Pace

Focus on guided reading programs through professional development. Math assessment has been completed and distributed; NYS ELA Test has been completed (10 opt outs); creating mini-lessons for Math prep; Jackie Owens working with promotion-in-doubt students; Afterschool program for students transitioning to new grades begins May 3 rd ; UPK student assessments

being held. Vendor list was handed out; Summer Program Action Plan for 2018 and Strategic Action Plan for 2018-2019 school year was handed out.

Academic Report – C. Williams

Met 4/21/18; discussed assessments in curriculum; evaluation the Fountas & Pinnell assessments; looking for a new Social Studies curriculum; In-house assessments are being given for NYS Math Test; Spring Camp held during Easter break – 60 students attended daily; looking for a new Technology program (Power School/iReady) to capture student/teacher data.

Personnel Report – K. Sandiford

Advertisements have been advertised for all positions pending upcoming vacancies; current vacancies for assistant principal and teacher's assistant. May have two upcoming vacancies in Pre-K; if a third grade class is added will need additional staff. Need protocol for staff going on maternity leave. Discussion for possibility for staff teacher that would fill in all positions in school as needed.

PTO Report – A. Davis

No Report

Finance Report – M. Anglin - No Report

Fundraising Meeting – L. Stephens via L. Hamer

Final numbers pending for spring gala.

L. Hamer thanked all for coming out; Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Next board meeting will be 5/29/18 at 6:30.