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Minutes
Odyssey Academy
Charter School District #4030
Wednesday, February 24, 2016
5:30 Work Session

Regular Meeting
Odyssey Academy
6201 Noble Ave. No.
Brooklyn Center, MN 55429
6:00 p.m. Regular board meeting

5:30 p.m. Work Session Called to order at 5:46pm

Roll Call: Kris Lawrence Anderson, Jim Rosengren, Kimberly Chalfen, Sarah Dettmann, Jeanine Hauer, Miles Wangenstein, Christine Grigor

Adjourned 5:53pm

6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Community Members:

Guest Visitors: Dr. Julie Goldsmith, Teamworks Intl.; Dan Jett, ACNW; Liz Cole, Student Teacher

1.0 Call to order and establishment of a quorum: Called to order at 6:01pm.

2.0 Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum:

Members Present: Kris Lawrence Anderson, Jim Rosengren, Kimberly Chalfen, Sarah Dettmann, ~~Ryan Parker~~, Jeanine Hauer, Miles Wangenstein, Christine Grigor, Ryan Parker

Ex-Officio Member: Melinda Crowley, Executive Director

Members Absent: Ryan Parker

2.2 Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 Approve Agenda: Approval of the 2016, February 24th agenda

3.1 Additions to the agenda:

3.2 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest:

Motion made by Lawrence-Anderson and seconded by Dettmann to approve the February 24, 2016 agenda as presented.

Discussion: None

Motion: Passed

4.0 Community Comments*: None

5.0 Strategic Direction:

5.1 Four Partnership Practices and Strategic Roadmap Process - Dr. Julie Goldsmith, Teamworks Intl.:

Key Messages from the training:

- ✓ The board thanks the staff functioning as consultants for their honest insights and perspectives; we're listening
- ✓ Staff, parents and community members are welcome in this process to share input- stop by a meeting.
- ✓ The board hears some new things from the consulting staff that have sparked discussions that will make this a much better process.
- ✓ We would also like to dive deeper as a school community into how to align with our diverse families and broader community.

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6.0 Consent Agenda:

6.1 Payment of bills, including payroll:

6.1.1 Approval of Checks: #26295-26347

6.2 Approval of December Minutes:

6.3 Personnel action:

6.3.1 Paraprofessional Hiring: None

6.3.2 Teacher Hiring: None

6.3.3 Appointments: None

6.3.4 Non-Classified: None

6.3.5 Resignations: None

6.4 Contracts: None

6.5 Receipt of grants/donations:

6.5.1 Lifepak CR/CR Plus defibrillator: \$1700.00

6.5.2 Winter Carnival Donations:

Motion made by Hauer and seconded by Dettmann to approve the consent agenda.

Discussion: None

Motion: Passed

7.0 Action Items:

7.1 Calendar 2016-17:

Motion made by Hauer and seconded by Dettmann to approve the 2016-17 Calendar.

Discussion: Limit to 1 ½ day a month and be sure to be commensurate with BC and Osseo's Calendars.

Motion: Passed

7.2 Policy Revisions:

7.2.1 First reading: None

7.2.2 Second reading

7.2.2.1 205 Open and Closed Meetings

7.2.2.2 203.1 School Board Procedures; Rules of Order

7.2.2.3 212 Board Member Development

7.2.3 Third reading and adoption

7.2.3.1 412 Expense Reimbursement

7.2.3.2 427 Workload Limits for Certain Special Education Teacher

Motion made by Hauer and seconded by Dettmann to approve the policies in the second and third reading 7.2.3.1 and 7.2.3.2.

Discussion: None

Motion: Passed

7.3 Approve the board members of the Strategic Planning Taskforce

Motion made by Wangensteen and seconded by Dettmann identify the members of the Strategic Planning Taskforce; Rosengren, Grigor, Chalfen, Wangensteen, Parker & Hauer

Discussion: None

Motion: Passed

8.0 Reports:

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8.1 Community Action—Board representatives: Chalfen, Hauer: Winter Carnival made \$1962.50, We will poll our staff to find out what we should do for next year, Next year make a mass call to invite families to the event.

8.2 Finance—Board representatives: Dettmann, Parker

7.2.1 January Financials:

Motion made by Grigor and seconded by Wangensteen to approve the January 2016 Cashflow, Balance Sheet, Profit and Loss Statement and Check Register.

Discussion: None

Motion: Passed

8.3 Facilities/Technology—None

8.4 Authorizer— Dan Jett: “I want to reiterate my congratulations to you and your board for the in depth strategic planning activity that was conducted tonight as part of that meeting. I found board members to be very knowledgeable and really engaged in the more than two-hour session that included significant discussion/training about board governance/management roles, etc. It has not been often that I have see that level of intense board governance conversation engaged in by all board members who were well versed on the topic and sensitive to its nuances and significance. I trust that continued work with TeamWorks will provide the blueprint and strategies to secure for Odyssey a dynamic and vibrant future.”

8.5 School Improvement— Wangensteen, Hauer: We will be moving on to the Practice Profile II and we attended a conference in Sartell.

8.6 Director’s report— Crowley

8.6.1 Current enrollment: 326 as of 2/26/16

8.6.2 School Activities: Rock and Read and Kid Power

9.0 Information/Discussion Items:

9.1 Executive Director Evaluation- Chair Chalfen will gather the information and we will discuss at the March board meeting.

10.0 ***Action to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 pm motion made by Hauer and seconded by Wangensteen.***

Next Board Work Session 5:30pm; Regular Board Meeting: 6:00pm 3/16/16, Media Center Odyssey Academy.

*Comments from visitors must be informal in nature and not exceed five (5) minutes per issue. The Board cannot engage in a discussion or debate in those five minutes but will take the information and find answers if that is appropriate. As part of Board protocol, it is unacceptable for any speaker to slander or engage in character assassination at a public board meeting. Comments must be limited to items on the agenda.

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