Charter Council Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2016

Present: Jodi Ogden, Justin Tomola, Jeannette Long, Ami Mautner, Maria Giusti, Linda Joshua, Administration Present: Bill Bindewald

Absent: Marlo Cohen

Public present: Kirsten Murray *(Scribe)

1. Call to Order 6:05; Identify Timekeeper Jodi Ogden; Verse

2. Approve Agenda:
   Linda Joshua motioned to approve the agenda. Justin Tomola seconded. The board unanimously approved the motion.

3. Public Comment:
   No public comment

4. Approve minutes:
   Motion to approve August 23 Minutes, Jodi Ogden, Ami Mautner seconded. The board unanimously approved the motion.

   Motion to approve Charter Council Special Meeting Minutes September 7, 2016, Linda Joshua, seconded by Justin Tomola. The board unanimously approved the motion.

5. US Federal Rural Grant Spending Plan 2015/16, Bill Bindewald:
   Motion to approve US Federal Rural Grant Spending plan 2015/2016 (Attachment #3) by Ami Mautner, Linda Joshua seconded. The board unanimously approved the motion.

6. EPA Spending Plan for 2015/16, Bill Bindewald:
   Motion to approve EPA spending plan for 2015/2016 (Attachment #4) by Linda Joshua, seconded by Jodi Ogden. The board unanimously approved the motion.

7. Educator Effectiveness Funds 2015/16, Bill Bindewald:
   Motion to approve Educator Effectiveness Funds 2016/17 (Attachment #5) by Maria Giusti, Seconded by Linda Joshua. The board unanimously approved the motion.

   Note made by Bill Bindewald that Agenda Items 5, 6, &7 (Attachments 3, 4, &5) should be 2016/2017 instead of 2015/2016.

8. Unaudited Financials, Bill Bindewald:
   Motion to approve 2015/16 Unaudited Financials by Linda Joshua, seconded by Maria Giusti. The board unanimously approved the motion. (Attachments 6a+6b)
Ending balance of $864,628.63 for the 2015/16 school year, which is the beginning balance of the next year. An auditor is scheduled to make an annual visit and will later issue a report.

9. Employee Contracts, Bill Bindewald:
   Motion to Approve Employee Contracts (Attachment #7) by Maria Giusti, seconded by Justin Tomola. The board unanimously approved the motion.

10. Check Signing Authority, Bill Bindewald:
    Motion to approve Resolution for Check Signing Authority (Attachment #8) by Linda Joshua, seconded by Jodi Ogden The board unanimously approved the motion.
    Aye: Linda Joshua, Maria Guisti, Ami Mautner, Justin Tomola, Jodi Ogden, Abstentions: 0, Nay: 0

11. Form 700 Update (Attachment #9), Jeannette Long:
    Form 700 Updates should be printed and given to the board members to sign. The completed form should be returned to Maria Martinez.

12. CAASPP (California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress) Results (Attachment #10), Bill Bindewald Update:
    There is no third grade update because most families opted out. It will be on our record and there will be possible ramifications to the school in federal funding if families opt out in mass in the future. Potential charter revocation is a concern.

13. Charter Council Retreat Planning, Jeannette Long:
    • Seminar available on the 7 Habits of Highly Effective Boards, hoping to partner with other Charter Schools to share costs.
    • Concerns brought up about sharing the time with other boards- time should be spent on items specific to this board.
    • 8AM October 1st to be checked with the lawyers.
    • Team Building TBD.

14. Charter School University, Justin Tomola:
    • Review of the Charter School University first chapter.
    • Defined that the school authorizer is Napa Unified School District
    • Agreed to read Chapters 5 - 11 by October 1st

15. Administrator Update - Bill Bindewald:
    • Enrollment Report - (Attachment #11)
      A. 265 students enrolled
    • Financials - (Attachment #12a - 12h)
      B. Still waiting for some revenue from the state
      C. Page 3 Item 5872 - Budgeted $210,000.00 and came in at $259,658.57, this is our share of the districts costs for Average Daily Attendance resource help.
    • Family Giving - (Attachment #13)
      D. An extra $22,000 was collected for the 2015/16 school year.
      E. There will be an update on family giving every month.
    • Measure H. Campus Relocation Update
      F. Announcement made in Yountville last Wednesday night (September 7)
G. There is a need for Stone Bridge to get to a new location.

- Admin v. 2 Structure

H. Was reviewed last week by Bill Bindewald

I. Jeannette asked how the new structure is working.

J. Bill said it is working fine.

- California Charter School Association

K. Training available online October 25th

L. We are a member and pay a fee every year and get a lot of resources. They also do a lot of lobbying on behalf of charter schools.

16. Faculty Update, Ami Mautner:

- Most teachers are on their first block. Some classes have taken their first field trips.
- Most teachers have had their first parent meetings.
- There is a new structure for faculty meetings which will give time twice a month to work with cohorts (by grade level clusters) and they are working on aligning curriculum with core standards.
- They are trying to take care of all business in one meeting each month.
- They were gifted a faculty lunch last week and really appreciated it.
- Michele Conyers is still leading the faculty choir.

17. Parent Council Update, Linda Joshua:

- Need a Dine and Donate volunteer
- Reviewed fund raising focuses by class
- Concerns raised over math teacher by 7th and 8th grade reps
- Shade structures - funding is all ready to go and they just need to be ordered. Was suggested to call it the Kari Worth shades. - Bill added to the update and said the shades have been ordered and should arrive in time for EVF.
- PC will pay for half the cost of the Marks the Spot dinner before the September 21st meeting.
- Discussion about how to utilize fund overage.
- Concern about finding a replacement committee for Lisa Ponds team which runs EVF.

Closed Session

18. Legal Matters, Financial Negotiation, Personnel Items

- (Jeannette Long)
  
  Public Employee Performance Evaluation
  
  Title: Administrator

19. Report from Closed Session - Jeannette Long

Charter Council went into closed session at 8:13 and ended at 8:29.

Nothing to report

20. Confirm next meeting and review potential agenda items

Next meeting – Saturday October 1st at 8AM (Training provided by SBS lawyers)
Next Charter Council meeting – Wednesday, October 12 at 6PM

21. Adjourn
Next Meeting is Wednesday, October 12, 2016 at 6PM

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