

Present: Tim Dutton, John Rodriguez, Jacquie Marumoto, Sandy Lefkowitz, Rachel Allison, Valerie Gibson, Raeven Gibson, Norberto Zapata, Kyasia Thompson, Tyree Douglas, Davian Zapata, Kit Kaolian, Delores Fuller and Vince Musto.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm

Public comment (each guest is allowed 3 minutes): No Public Comment

Approval of minutes from previous (May 12, 2014) meetings: A motion to approve minutes was granted.

Old Business- Middle school trip report: Four of our fellow eighth grade students presented

The board with a shortened summary of their experiences on the Boston trip that they just recently returned from. They enlightened us on their favorite parts of the trip, the most memorable parts. Also as to why they would like to keep the trip for the future eighth grade students.

Status report and update on school (15 minutes Dutton and Allison) (School data report, trips, testing, Graduation etc.): The High school has been experiencing a small spike in suspensions. Nothing threatening to the school, as the year winds down some students seem to have a shorter tolerance in the wait for the school year to finish. In turn we saw more students becoming restless and become rowdy. A few one day suspensions have been administered to send a small reminder to those less than patient students that, yes the school year is finishing, but there are still three weeks left and the show can and will go on with or without you present. Along with that the teachers are still in communications with students in regards to what is needed to advance to the next school year. In these past two weeks the school has had success in sending the junior, freshman and sophomore classes on their trips to six flags. The big success to the school being that a small tactic was implemented, were no student could attend the trip if they had outstanding lunch debt. This tactic was a huge success, in that almost all debts have been cleared. To jump into our audit of our food service department, we were informed that minor changes and corrections need to be changed but the overall audit much to our hopes was an overall success. Graduation will be commencing on schedule, on Monday June 23. As well as the National Honor Society ceremony, this will take place on Thursday, June 12th.

Personnel:

Update on job descriptions: A rough draft of the Job Description Manual is in the works and once completed will be sent as a copy to all members of the board. Then each member will make changes, add-in, edits, corrections etc. It will be changed and looked over with the changes suggested from the board members into a final edit.

Middle School Science Pregnancy leave: It was explained to the Board in regards to the pregnancy leave, that this teachers is opening her options to possibly of non-return. Once word of her final decision is announced; if non-return is decided, swift action for replacement will be executed.

Governing Council Review (see attached minutes): A brief review of the Governing Council

meeting from May was given. Also a review of the minutes was discussed.

Financial committee report: In light of trying to accommodate a new budget for the upcoming school year, there will be some changes to the finances in certain areas. We will continue to maintain teacher's salary and benefits but there will be an attempt to allow the high school administrator to have more "free time" to be able to concentrate on pressing school business. There is talk of a possible four day training for all staff. One teacher's assistant's positions along with one RTI and two coaching positions have been terminated. We hope this will save us an overall 3%. Our goal is not to use any of the credit – line. A more accurate summary of the budget will be available in July when the insurance lines are given to us to be incorporated into our upcoming school year budget.

By-laws committee: Mr. Bologna was not present to report.

Technology or website committee report: No new updates.

Building issues – New grant!! There are many things this grant will be put towards, such as to redo doors, rearrange the office for safety reasons, and redo the roof. The

school was not granted access to remove the oil tank. However we will also be renovating the science rooms with this grant. We should know towards the end of June when the grant will be available to us to begin reconstruction.

Board Gift: The Board gift will be given during graduation, previously noted on the 23rd of June. Any of the Board members are more than welcomed to attend. The winner of this award has not yet been chosen.

Other new Business: It was brought to the Board of Directors, that there have been on more than one occasion when there are trips that arrive after 5 that more than one or two students are being left at the school for more than 30 minutes. As responsible of a staff that we have they choose to stay until these students are acquired by their guardians. It is suggested to bring to the Governing Board or parenting committee that swift action be taken on the parents behalf of picking up their children in a more timely manner. Board member John Rodriguez summarized to the Board of Directors who he is and what positive change he hopes to bring to the students through the Board.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:02

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Board of Directors

Monday, June 9th, 2014

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