

# University Schools Board of Governors February 2, 2005 Minutes

Board Members Present: Ron Eberhard, Cyndy Giauque, Bryan VanDriel, Gayle Adams, Suzanne Forney, Linda Roberts, Dick Bond, Eric Carlson, David Sanchez, Tom Roche, Isabel Hughes  
Staff Present: Greg Pierson, Linda Widel, Steve Ramsey, Sandy Abernathy, Lynn Waltman, Kristi Helzer, Louisa Warfield  
Guests Present: Linda Fry

- Tom called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

#### Work Session:

- Greg led the board through a brainstorming session about the needs of University Schools. A summary of the session will be provided at the next meeting.

#### Approval of Minutes:

- A motion was made by Bryan (Dick) to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2005 meeting as corrected. Motion passed.

#### Co-Chairs Report:

- Tom reported that he had attended a community leadership meeting regarding early childhood development and education. He will keep us posted on the progress of the committee.

#### Communications from the Board:

- Bryan presented two options for the BOG column for the March 1 edition of Bulldog News. A motion was made by David (Gayle) to approve the column discussing The Plan test. Motion passed.

#### Booster Club Report:

- Linda Fry reported that the volunteer of the year award will be presented at Friday's basketball game.

#### ECU Board Report:

- No Report

#### USPTO Report:

- Greg distributed the USPTO Profit/Loss statement for the year ending December 31, 2004.
- Greg also reported that the spring fundraiser will be the Carnival which will be held on April 1.

#### Read to Achieve Grant Report:

- Kristi Helzer, Sandy Abernathy, and Lynn Waltman presented a report on the Read to Achieve grant proposal that they submitted. They received \$131,548.20 over the next 3 years for Literacy Enhancement in 3<sup>rd</sup> graders. The grant is funded by the CDE.

#### Policy Committee:

- Sandy Abernathy presented a proposed Retention Policy for Elementary Grades. The proposal was tabled until the Feb 16 meeting to give the Board an opportunity to read and study the proposal.

- Louisa Warfield presented a proposal for funding the education of the faculty of University Schools. The proposal was taken under advisement.

#### Financial Report:

- Linda reported that invitations for next year have been sent out.
- Ron reported that the budget committee recently met to write the preliminary budget for next year, which was distributed. A motion was made by Dick (Bryan) to approve the budget and submit it to District 6. Motion passed.

#### Director's Report:

- Greg reported that he has received notice of intent to retire from Linda Widel, Ken Widel, and Pat Heino. A motion to approve the resignations with regret was made by Dick (David). Motion passed.
- Greg reported that there are 3 pressing improvements that need attention:
  1. Fencing between our retaining wall and the Frontier Building (\$2,700)
  2. A security camera to sweep the parking lot and the keyless entry door (\$4000)
  3. Additional lighting between US and the Auditorium (\$1,300).Greg recommended that since there is only funding to address one of these issues at this time, we should immediately fund the lighting and table the other projects. Tom offered pay for the lighting and fence and proposed to have the school pay for the camera. A motion was made by Ron (Suzanne) to accept Tom's proposal. Motion passed.

#### Executive Session:

- A motion was made by Ron (David) to move into Executive Session to discuss contract issues. Motion passed.
- A motion was made by David (Ron) to move out of Executive Session. Motion passed.

#### Next Meeting:

- The next meeting of the Board will be Wednesday, February 16 at 6:00pm. Future meetings will be held as follows: March 23, April 6 and 20.

#### Adjournment:

- A motion was made by Suzanne (Eric) to adjourn. Motion passed.