

University Schools Board of Governors December 15, 2004 Minutes

Present: Ron Eberhard, Cyndy Giaque, Greg Pierson, Linda Widel, Bryan VanDriel, Gayle Adams, Steve Ramsey, Isabel Hughes, Suzanne Forney, Linda Roberts, Dick Bond, Eric Carlson, Linda Fry.

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

Approval of Minutes:

- A motion was made by Suzanne (Dick) to approve the minutes of the Nov 17, 2004 meeting and December 6, 2006 special meeting. Motion passed.

Theft:

- Greg reported on the theft of a laptop computer and smart board projector from a classroom on the weekend of December 10-12.

ECU Board Report:

- Greg reported that the ECU enrollment is holding steady at about 80, and that preliminary summer enrollment is 38.

Booster Club Report:

- Linda Fry reported that the winter sports season is in full swing.
- Linda distributed a copy of the 2003 Tax Exempt tax return for Booster Club
- They are currently looking at ways to help fund the purchase of track equipment for this spring.
- Next year's uniform replacement will include track, cross country, and girl's basketball. This represents a huge expenditure, especially the track uniform.
- Linda distributed a cash flow report through December 7, 2004.
- The Board requested that Booster Club meeting minutes be posted on the school website.

Board Policies Committee Report:

- Cyndy presented a draft version of a Grading and Assessment policy. A motion was made by Suzanne (Gayle) to approve the policy. Motion passed.

Financial Report:

- Linda distributed the Cole and Crosier report as of November 30, 2004.
- Linda reported that she opened a CD at Bank of Choice as per discussion at the December 6 special meeting.
- Linda also reported that there was no definitive word yet about capital construction money from the state.
- Linda reported that the increased bond payment begins in January, so there will be an increase on the expense side.

Director's Report:

- Greg asked for formal approval to hire Elaine Owens to teach Elementary / MS Spanish.. A motion was made by Dick (Gayle) to approve the hiring. Motion passed.
- Greg distributed the proposed calendar for the 2005-06 school year. A lengthy discussion ensued about the pros and cons of Access. Several possibilities were thrown

out for discussion. The discussion will continue at a later date. A motion was made by Suzanne (Dick) to approve the calendar with corrections of the typos. Motion passed.

- Greg presented information on fielding a softball team beginning in Fall 2005. He reported that the league Athletic Directors would not have a problem with us implementing a JV team for 2005 and a Varsity team for 2006. He reported that Tom Roche has offered to fund the team (uniforms, coaches salaries, and entry fees for the first year). Greg asked for approval of an informational parent interest meeting to be held January 19. There was discussion about the ramifications of adding an additional sport at this time, and the impact on transportation, Booster Club, etc. A motion was made by Suzanne (Gayle) to approve the meeting, to gauge the level of support without committing to any further action. Motion passed.
- Greg reported that the new playground equipment has been purchased and will be installed over Christmas break weather permitting.

Unfinished Business:

- The Board went over a list of unfinished business from the past year,

Faculty Report:

- Gayle reported that at a faculty meeting earlier today the faculty discussed looking for motivation for CSAP testing. They tentatively plan on hosting a pancake breakfast on the 1st day of testing, as well as a day off for high school and a pizza party/movie day for middle school.

Parent Conduct:

- Suzanne expressed concern about the actions of 2 parents at the Erie Basketball tournament last week. Greg will send a warning letter to the parents, and will write an article for Bulldog News about behavior expectations and consequences.

Next Meeting:

- The next meeting of the Board will be Wednesday, January 19 at 6:00pm. Future meetings will be held as follows: February 2 and 16, March 23, April 6 and 20.

Adjournment:

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