



## **Meeting Minutes of the Board of Directors**

Denver Language School

January 17, 2013 at 6:00 pm

Voting: Kristy Fantz, Camilla Modesitt, Beverly Haddon, Rick Gonzalez, Ryan Hunter, Huiliang Liu

Non-voting: Dr. Sara Amodio

Call to Order by Board Chair Kristy Fantz at 6:10.

Approval of Board Minutes. Approval moved. Board second. All Approved

### **Presentation by Lori Deacon on Financial Standing**

- Currently trending at 50% of income and expenditures; In good financial standing
- New Mill Levy and Governor's New Per Pupil Allocation will result in an approximate \$100, 000 increase for DLS. This will help off-set losses from FLAP and CDE grant expiration
- Will have draft budget for February Finance Council meeting.
- Approval of budget moved. Board second. All Approved.

### **New Board of Code of Conduct**

- In consultation with school attorney, Bill Bethke, a Code of Conduct for the Board of Directors was draft. Kristy Fantz provided overview; board reviewed.
- Approval of Code of Conduct moved. Board second. All Approved.

### **New Board Members**

- Rick Gonzalez will take over as Treasurer
- Ryan Hunter will take over as Secretary
- Approval of appointments moved. Board second. All Approved.

### **Definition of Diversity for SAC**

- Camilla Modesitt read NEA's definition of diversity; determined to be very broad
- Questions about plan for retention of diverse students; What is the right level? Who are we targeting? Are we tracking information?
- Discussion over DPS contractual obligations around SPED, Free and Reduced Lunch, etc.
- Dr. Sara Amodio will explore contractual obligations and who we are measured against

### **Board Training**

- Topics for board training sessions explored: Special Education, Public Meeting Law, Assessment
- Board members will email Kristy Fantz with suggestions
- Mandatory Board Member training modules must be done by May

### **Strategic Plan**

- In progress Items: Corporate Sponsorship, Diversity Goals, Programming for After School, Future Growth Options/Facilities
- Completed Items: Prioritizing Growth Options

### **Facilities Committee Update**

- Camilla Modesitt provided update on meetings with DPS and Facilities Committee actions
- A Space Plan analysis was conducted and blueprints for school space usage conducted
- Committee to identify 3 potential properties
- DPS indicated that there were no properties available through them

### **Development Committee Update**

- Dr. Sara Amodio created an "Open Water Initiative" document to begin conversation around possible capital campaign

### **SAC Update**

- Ryan Hunter provided update; described development of procedures and operations
- SAC is working on reviewing school assessment plan
- In March, SAC will provide Parent Satisfaction Survey
- Dan Baack, member of the SAC, summarized results of facilities survey

### **PTA Update**

- Dan Baack, PTA President, provided summary of PTA events to date (e.g. Dr. Michelle Andrew's talk, Chinese New Year, Bike Rodeo, Gala)
- Requested board's attendance at events

### **Public Comments**

- Jacquie Gordon Freel: Raised the possibility hiring of "Dean of Students" to ease burden on administration
- Jana Vogel: Inquired about the difference between comments and questions at board meetings; Inquired what result came from work done by Brian Weber during his tenure as Director of Development?

Meeting Adjourned. 7:50pm.