

Days Creek Charter School K-12
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
November 9, 2016

Board Members Present: Diane Swingley, Pauline Montgomery-Borg, Sandy Kelley, Ron Dunn, Jim Docherty, Cathy Knapp, Matt Giles, Rex Fuller, Dana Stone, Carlie Dossman and Samantha Canete

Administration: Dr. Mark Angle

District Staff: None

Public/Students: Vanessa Williams and Chantelle Carter

1. 6:30 PM Meeting called to order by Ms. Swingley.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.
3. Agenda approval – Pauline motioned, Jim seconded to approve agenda with changes: Remove 6.a. and 8. All in favor.
4. Approval of minutes – October meeting notes not available. Board of Directors Workshop meeting notes not available.
5. Public and Student Input – Students Vanessa Williams and Chantelle Carter from Rock 101 Class performed.
6. Student Representative Reports – Carlie Dossman and Samantha Canete gave reports, needing to leave immediately afterwards.
7. Senior Project Presentations – Miles and Devon. All agreed both were Competent
8. Report of the Director – Supt. Mark Angle
 - a) Enrollment update – Dr. Angle provided a handout that displayed monthly enrollment numbers for September, October and November. The net results are down two students. There are two high school students to start second semester.
 - b) Chalkboard project and core beliefs – With the funding from the Ford Family Foundation for the Chalkboard project, a number of staff members drafted four core beliefs emphasizing student learning, effective educators, teacher leadership, and professional learning. These core beliefs will be “front and center” with the Charter mission and goals. The Chalkboard project is to improve academics through professional development.
 - c) Charter Revisions and Additions: Section 11 (page 13); Appendix C (page 23) – The Charter Board had received the changes made by our attorney prior to the meeting for review. Dana Stone questioned Appendix C.1.d in that the student directors were exempted from the process. This would apply to C.2.a. also. In regards to Appendix C.2.a Pauline Montgomery-Borg asked if there were evaluation factors built in to the administrative job description. Dr. Angle said they would have to be developed. He said he would have Holly Hill, HR, Douglas ESD, develop them and have them for the January 2017 meeting. Pauline Montgomery-Borg motioned to approve the charter revisions and additions with the changes in C.1.d and C.2.a; reading “with the exception of student representatives serving on the Charter Board”. Matt Giles seconded. With no additional discussion, the vote to approve was unanimous.

9. Student Success Coordinator Report – Cathy Knapp
 - a. Title 1 Plan – This is a federal program helping students improve in reading. The plan has not changed much from last year. It will continue to be “targeted” rather than a school wide program. We hope to change to a school wide program for next year. This will allow us to serve all students rather than K-5 individuals only. DIBELS and EasyCBM are used for assessments. Cathy is using StudentTeacherParent education compact to incorporate parent participation.
 - b. Fall DIBELS assessment results – Cathy provided a handout displaying the results of the September test results by grade. This is the beginning benchmark for the 2016-17 school year. Middle and end tests will be given through the year to record progress. The benchmark (increased difficulty) changes for each test with added instruction time through the year. The report is averaged per grade but as teachers, they look at individual student performance. The percent of the number of students needing intensive support correlates with the percent of students on the free or reduced lunch program.
 - c. Special Education Plan – The plan needs to be fixed. There is potential of losing all federal funding if we do not comply. It is required to track all graduated students with an IAP three years past graduation. It is getting easier with Facebook and Twitter. Discipline is part of the report; the plan needs to describe how suspension/expulsion is used. Students with a disability cannot be disciplined for behavior related to a disability. Cathy will provide an overview of the Oregon State Report Card for school year 2015-16 at our December 2016 meeting.

10. Standing Committee Reports- Jim Docherty, Chair: There is no new input. Sidney and Barbara Post continue to keep connected with Jim. There is potential to share costs with the Cobb School, sharing curriculum materials and weather station equipment. Mrs. Ellis will be working with her students setting up and monitoring a weather station soon. ESD is beginning to make CTE (VoAG) programs available to southern Douglas County schools. They will be hiring for help in coordination.

11. Discussion and Action Items- Non brought forward.

12. Announcements:
 - Parent Teacher conferences, Nov. 10. Early out at 12:30
 - American Education Week, Nov. 14-18 Board members are encouraged to reach out to the school staff to show our appreciation.

13. Adjourn at 8:00 PM

Submitted by Pauline Montgomery-Borg, DCCS Board Secretary