



Park City Prep Charter School

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Board of Directors Meeting

March 26, 2014

MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 6:12 pm

Attendance: Bruce Ravage, John Bryk, Rose Richardson, Lorraine Moore, Ken Flatto, Vicky Boudreau, Chris Van Etten

- Public Session – No members of the public attended.
- Minutes from the February 12, 2014 meeting were approved unanimously.
- Financial Update
 - Finances are positive
 - IT costs are over budget.
- Director's Update
 - Remaining work on new building/open items - HVAC is still a work in progress.
 - Science CMT administered on 3/26/14
 - SBAC testing will begin on April 18th.
 - Fit-up of 4th floor for new grade 5
 - Negotiating fit-up costs and rental at this time.
 - Applied for grant for high performing schools to defray cost of adding grade 5.
 - Small adjoining wooden building has been rented to "All My Kin", a daycare provider training agency. May recruit the Director to join our Board.
 - Personnel update
 - Currently determining our needs for upcoming school year.
 - All staff wishes to return.
 - Currently determining whether to hire our teaching assistants as teachers for next year. All are certified.
 - Bruce will be attending Sacred Heart University's job fairing May to recruit.

- Litigation
 - Settled dispute with former IT company.
 - Have one outstanding lawsuit from a former employee who is claiming that he was wrongfully terminated.

- Recruitment of Students for 2014-2015
 - We need to fill a full 6th grade.
 - We need to fill either ½ the 5th grade, approximately 50 students or a full 5th grade. This will depend on whether or not we receive funding for 46 additional seats.
 - We are on pace to fill all seats in grades 5 & 6, with a significant waiting list.

- Hearings for New Charter Schools in Bridgeport
 - State had received 9 applications, of which 4 – 5 made it to the interview process. Two of these would be in Bridgeport (Charter Oak & Capital Harbor Prep)
 - Opponents of new charters in Bridgeport claimed that they would take funding away from the traditional schools. Bruce spoke to at one of those hearings to make it clear that the schools would not lose funding if new charters were to open.
- Calendar – Last Day: Friday, June 27, 2014
- Commencement Ceremony – Thursday, June 26, 2014 at 6:00 pm

- Old Business: Recruitment of additional community members for Board

- New Business – Discussed the grants we have applied for and how we would use the funds if we were approved.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:12 pm

Next Meeting: May 22, 2014