

LIBERTY COMMON SCHOOL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, February 15, 2007
Teacher's Lounge

Attendees

Craig Horton, Terrie Fisher, Mark Woodbury, Michelle Provaznik, Jim Pullin, Russ Spicer and Tim Ricketts.

Parent Kayleen Fraley.

CALL TO ORDER

- Approve Agenda

Craig Horton moved to approve the agenda as presented. Michelle Provaznik seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

- Approve January 18 meeting minutes.

A spelling correction was made. Craig Horton moved to approve the minutes as amended. Terrie Fisher seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

- Community and Staff Comment

Terrie Fisher discussed concerns about the LCS Special Education department and their evaluations of a student. She has discussed this with the staff and will discuss it further with Mr. Spicer.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Dean of Students Report

Mr. Spicer gave the report. The girl's basketball season is winding down. Liberty will host the semi-finals and finals tournament. Mr. Reeves and Mr. King will be the track coaches. There were two school suspensions this week for fighting. There have been five suspensions so far this year.

Business Manager Report, Mr. Ricketts

- Monthly Financial Review

Mr. Ricketts said that January monthly financials were as expected. Snow removal costs were up but in line with what has been budgeted.

- Preliminary review of 2007-08 Budget

Mr. Ricketts reviewed the preliminary budget. The overall budget is increasing by approximately \$137,000 for a total budget of \$3,725,000. The PPR increase from PSD will be approximately 4.2%. The salaries and benefits will increase by 4% and 7% respectively. The budget is based on a full enrollment of 562 students (540 FTE).

Craig Horton motioned to approve the preliminary budget for 2007-2008 as presented. Mark Woodbury seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

- Colorado Legislation Update

Senate bill SB61 may limit new charters from coming on-line. House bill HB1041 concerns limiting waivers for charter schools. This bill would have a more immediate impact on Liberty if passed. HB1048 CSAP study looks like it will pass, it will do comparatives of students longitudinally.

Headmaster Report, Mr. Spicer

- Academics

- NWEA – Looking into implementing this for next year. The testing occurs 3 times per year per grade level. The test would be taken in our computer lab.
- Mr. Spicer is continuing to monitor the progress of the upper school math program.
- We want to continue to emphasize that Liberty staff will not be content with past success but will continue to strive for even greater things.
- Investigating new art course with Mr. Jobman.
- Look at expanding our guitar and recorder instruction.

- CSAPs
 - 3rd Grade Reading CSAPs this week on February 13th and 15th.
 - The rest of the CSAP testing will be March 19th – April 5th.
- Staffing
 - Interviewing two candidates for 3rd grade teacher sub, long term sub for 2nd grade will be Kim Knab.
- National Latin Exam will be on Wednesday, March 7th for Latin I, II, and III classes.
- Teacher
 - Formal observations are complete. Intent to return forms have been sent to the staff. Staff training has been completed on 13 Original Colonies, CSAP info and strategies, quantum refresher. Ron Burbridge a Korean War Veteran also spoke to the staff and students.
 - Rob Huey, Tina Shockley, Wendy Anderson, Steve Ronen, Cherie Pedersen, Marques Kem and Duane Staton will be attending the Colorado Social Studies Conference.
 - Jeff Siener, Bri Schupp, Jared Dybzinski, Casey Churchill and Mr. Spicer will be attending the National Core Knowledge Conference in Washington, D.C. March 22nd – 25th.

Discussion of the 2007-2008 schedule. Craig Horton moved to approve the calendar as presented. Terrie Fisher seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

STRATEGIC VISION UPDATES

- Accountability
 - Terrie Fisher
- Philosophical Legacy
 - Mark Sutherlin and Rob Lanciotti
- Marketing/Outreach
 - Craig Horton and Michelle Provaznik
- Campus
 - Jim Pullin
- Communication
 - Mark Woodbury

OLD BUSINESS

- Finalize Composition Policy 7.16
Reviewed the updated composition policy. Made two slight changes to the policy. Mark Woodbury moved to accept the policy as amended. Michelle Provaznik seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

NEW BUSINESS

- Appoint Election Committee.
Tim Ricketts and Craig Horton were appointed to the committee. We need one parent as well.

ADJOURN

Craig Horton moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 P.M. Terrie Fisher seconded. Motion passed unopposed.