

BETHANY CHARTER SCHOOL – Board Meeting September 14, 2015

Please be aware that these minutes are not official until approved at the next board meeting.

Board Members present: Karyn Buchheit, Ryan Hari, Heidi Mudrick, Rhett Randall and Michael Slevcove. Kathy Frank present as administrator. 3 visitors present.

Ryan Hari called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm

Rhett Randall moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of approving the agenda for the September 14, 2015 board meeting, approving the minutes for the June 1, 2015 board meeting and approving the minutes for the June 16, 2015 board special session. Heidi Mudrick seconded. Passed unanimously.

Budget Report – acknowledge check numbers 1444-1454 in the amount of \$2,012.93 and 5 debit transactions in the amount of \$993.43.

Audience with visitors

- Booster Club Liaison – not present
- Auction Committee – not present
- Thanks for being back in school
- Kindergarten parent present regarding note sent home about gun issue

Administrator's Report

The school year has started off with a positive and enthusiastic staff ready to lead our students into a great new school year.

Enrollment:

Kindergarten=16 First=15 Second=15 Third=15 Fourth=16 Fifth=15
Sixth=15 Seventh=15 Eighth=16 Total=138

General Update

- *The school year has opened with great success! At the informal open house we saw a host of new and returning students come and meet-and-greet with their new teachers and instructional assistants.*
- *Staff is getting prepared for the formal open house. Teachers will be prepared to host two separate times for parents to visit and learn about the operations within their children's classrooms.*

Staffing

- *Kindergarten – Mrs. Bates & Mrs. Otte*
- *First/Second – Miss Turner & Mrs. Bolf*
- *Third/Fourth – Mrs. Starr & Miss Sinn*
- *Fifth/Sixth – Mr. Bonham & Ms. Carlson*
- *Seventh/Eighth – Mrs. Merklin & Mrs. Taylor*

Facility

- *The dead tree line on the east side of the property is being removed in exchange for the wood.*

Calendar – September 14th & 28th early release; 15th Formal Open House

Teacher Presentation – none scheduled for tonight. Teachers present stated that the feedback that they have gotten is that the parents are happy with the school environment. Good group of kids and a good transition.

Board Reports

- Michael Slevcove – received the bid to move modular at \$12,000. This is to move it as a single structure and place on a new foundation that they put in. We would still have to do electrical, fire alarm, county permits and possibly plumbing. Working on covered area for more information.

Discussion Items

- a. Facility Rental Policy - 2nd reading – some information was left out during printing. Table until next meeting. Request made to train all board members on lock up procedures.
- b. Auction Committee and Procedures Policy – 2nd reading. Discussion on policy. Brought up by board that after initial \$5,000 profit that 100% of rest to go to the Booster Club. Karyn Buchheit to make changes and bring back.
- c. Policy for Personal Electronic Devices and Social Media – new policy. Board discussion that preference in wording is discouraged rather than prohibited. Also add in that “if needed must, if possible, carbon copy the BCS administrator”. Karyn Buchheit to make changes and bring back.

Audience with Visitors

- Comment made that communications between teachers and groups of parents should probably be “blind carbon copy” to hide addresses rather than “open carbon copy”
- Question on earthquake preparedness – should there be more than 2 drills a year?
- Description given of difference between on-site and off-site lockdowns. Recommendation made to have radios/walkie-talkies for staff for uniform communication
- Security cameras on the outside of the school? Should there be a panic button for the office other than by the outside door? Can alarm company add one behind the desk?

Action Items – none

Moved into executive session at 8:25 pm in compliance with ORS 192.6(2)(f) as pertains to information for the board

Out of executive session at 8:54 pm

No action taken from executive session.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm

Next board meeting on Monday, October 5, 2015 at 7:00 pm