

BETHANY CHARTER SCHOOL – Board Meeting January 6, 2021

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

Board Members present: Karyn Buchheit, Jon Kampen, William Posegate, Bryan Rose and Michael Slevcove. Kathy Frank present as administrator. 2 visitors present.

Michael Slevcove called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Bryan Rose moved to accept the consent agenda consisting of approving the agenda for the January 6, 2021 board meeting; approving the minutes for the December 2, 2020 board meeting and approving the minutes for the December 3, 2020 board special session. Jon Kampen seconded. Passed unanimously.

Budget Report – looks good. Acknowledge check #1758-1761 in the amount of \$605.63 and 9 debit transactions in the amount of \$594.27.

Audience with visitors – Happy New Year

Administrator Report

- *We were able to host our distantly safe picture day for students and staff on December 3rd, with retakes for those who missed out and for those who did not like their first take on January 4th.*
- *We continue to monitor daily attendance and emotional/technical check ins to provide our students and families a way to express that they need assistance and gives us the ability to assist them in a timely manner. We continue to evaluate responses and connect with students who are not doing well or need extra attention.*
- *All staff attended a virtual writing journal training on how to engage your students in journaling in the virtual world presented by Mrs. King as well as a long term/short term substitute preparation planning strategy presented by Miss Heneveld.*
- *Charter traditions were somewhat maintained during the comprehensive learning system in which our staff all participated in sharing a video of them preparing a Christmas craft that students could use to make as gifts for loved ones at their home setting. We utilized familiar materials that most people would have in their household. Students were free to share their projects.*
- *We were able to have Santa Claus visit the Charter and hand out the annual Christmas treat bags. Staff were in their Christmas sweaters booming Christmas music and wishing all a Happy Holiday.*
- *Distant learning or face to face...it is time to focus on academics!*
- *Planning for the ability to have students return to the classroom under the Governor's new advice. A survey is being sent to our parents and staff to gather a definite yes/no on our parent's willing ness to send or keep home their children as further progression is being developed around COVID-19.*

Facility

- *District will install a new thermometer in our gymnasium.*
- *Received a quote to install security cameras around the school to be done alongside a federally funded rewiring project completed through the District.*
- *District lit pilot light on gymnasium heater.*
- *We are getting a chemical mixing station installed in the janitor's closet today.*
- *Dr. Ortega is building a farm door style frame to hid hallway storage.*

Culture and Community

- *Staff put together fun videos of Christmas crafts that they could work on the afternoons of December 14th-18th. These are a few of the student submissions. Enjoy!*

Board Reports

- Kitchen/staff lounge remodel – hoping to finish this month.

Correspondence – received 2 thank you notes.

Discussion Items

- a. Received one form from Michael Slevcove. Karyn Buchheit nominated Bryan Rose to run again for the board. William Posegate seconded. Bryan Rose accepted the nomination from the floor. Kathy Frank and Karyn Buchheit to figure out voting for this year.
- b. Discussion on possible timeframe for going back to in-person. Questions about what staff and parents think. Survey has been sent out to parents and is due back by January 13th. Staff has also been surveyed – some say yes to going back and some are wanting vaccines first. Hybrid approach – parents have a choice, staff does not have a choice. Staff can be vaccinated. Students are all too young to receive vaccine as it is not approved for anyone under age 17. We are protected as long as we follow guidelines provided by ODA, OHA and OSHA. Semester break is February 15th. Do a special session on January 27th at 4:00 pm – this would be the only topic.
- c. Security camera – we have received a quote on installing security camera from Dynamic Tech Solutions for \$2,369.47. This would be 3 camera and could be done when SFSD does some rewiring. Check about changing WiFi password. Question about buzz in door lock – any system would have to be compatible with cameras. Michael Slevcove to work with Kathy Frank to go over details on camera quote.

Audience with visitors

- Government has some money put aside for school supplies via grant. Kathy Frank to look into.
- 7th/8th field trips – wait and see. It is possible to throw something together quickly for local. There is some money left from last years' fundraising.

Action Items

- a. Bryan Rose moved t approve the quote on the security cameras from Dynamic Tech Solutions for \$2,369.47. William Posegate seconded. Passed unanimously. Get further information on resolution of cameras.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm