



NORTHPOINT EXPEDITIONARY LEARNING ACADEMY GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting held at Northpoint Expeditionary Learning Academy in Room 111.

BOARD MEETING:

Andrew Newton called the Executive Session at 5:00

The following board members were present: Andrew Newton, Charles Matheus and Rosemary Dixon. Northpoint Director Charles Mentken and Northpoint Business Manager Sharon Felker were also present.

A call to the public was made, with no public present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approval of minutes from April 4th, 2017. The Board Meeting for May 2nd was cancelled as we did not have a quorum. Rosemary Dixon motioned for approval of the minutes, motion was seconded by Charles Matheus and the minutes were approved and accepted.

STUDY AND VOTING SESSION

- A. Acceptance of School Board Member Resignation, Board Member Kim Belli. Kim Belli has resigned from the Board as of May 2017. Dr. Andrew Newton motions to accept this resignation and Rosemary Dixon seconded this request and all approved. The Board noted that Kim Belli has been exceptional with assisting and helping our school from the beginning breaking ground process up through the present day. This will be a loss for our school, we will miss her. Her sons both attended our school and her older son Alec just completed a year of student teaching with Northpoint.
- B. Vote and approve proposed budget: We will see an increase in our overall budget as we currently have 6 students with autism enrolled for the 17-18 school year. With the expected needs we have signed work agreements for 3 aides/paraprofessionals this year. Increased funds and IDEA grant money will financially help us meet the needs of these students as well as all of our enrolled SPED students.
- C. Vote and approve contract for services with YCESA: We did not increase or decrease services from last year, nor did any of the costs for these services increase for this year. We have contracted for 30 days of counseling, 13 days of Speech and 10 days of nursing. The board signed and approved this contract.

REVIEW FINANCIALS

- A. Review cash flow report: We have a few changes on salaries but overall the budget looks great. We have our one month reserve as required by the school board, all accounts

look good. In June we started our lighting conversion contract which we hope will save us money going forward. This should be completed within a couple of weeks. We are planning to upgrade out internet in July. Erate will help offset the costs for these much needed updates.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

- A. Enrollment Update: We have about 35 ready for 9th and hope to have more enroll in the next month or so. Projected count is about 160 to date. Budget is set for a projected 170, so we hope to at least meet that number.
- B. Middle School Update: On 4/26 Charles and Melissa reviewed and resubmitted paperwork to the Board. We hope we will be able to present our request for the Middle School at the July Board Meeting.
- C. Intensives: Intensives went great this semester. Very successful with no real issues.
- D. Health Insurance Update: EMI (Cigna) was the best option for us this year. Their quotes came in with about the same benefits and costs as BCBS last year. Higher deductibles were our only option but we did our best to offer the employees close to what they have had. Seems like a very good plan overall. Dental and Vision will be the same. (Delta and VSP) Life insurance benefits will be \$50k per employee, this is higher than the \$15k that Ameriben had given prior.
- E. 2017-18 Staffing Update: DeVries is leaving this year so Zinni will move from his current Aide position to Geography & Gov/Economics. Colaianni will also be leaving Northpoint this year, Liz Romberger will be instructing for fine arts. We will have Ms. Haynes filing in for Mrs. Carey while she is out on FMLA with her baby. Mrs. Carey will return to her classroom in mid Sept and then Ms. Haynes will be a full time aide/paraprofessional. Mr. Short has renewed his work agreement but let us know that he will not be doing foreign travel or sports this year. Overall things seem positive and we are excited for a new year.

ADJOURNMENT

Andrew Newton adjourned the meeting at 5:57

FUTURE MEETING DATES:

- July 11th, 2017 – 5:00 PM Regular Board Meeting – NELA Campus Rm 111