



## **NORTHPOINT EXPEDITIONARY LEARNING ACADEMY GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting held at Northpoint Expeditionary Learning Academy in Room 111.

**January 9th, 2017**

### **BOARD MEETING:**

Andrew Newton called the Meeting to Order at 5:10

The following board members were present: Andrew Newton, Charles Matheus, Rosemary Dixon, Dawn Casey and Sharon Felker. Mr. Michael Spreng was not available for tonight's meeting. Northpoint Director Charles Mentken was also present.

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

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. Approval of minutes for December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Charles Matheus motioned for approval of the minutes, this motion was seconded by Rosemary Dixon. Minutes approved.

### **STUDY AND VOTING SESSION**

- A. Review and Change Tardy Policy: We would like to make some changes to our tardy policy – if a student is late we will call their parents. After 3 unexcused tardies Mr. Mentken will have a meeting with the student & parents. Should the student have one more tardy they will have ISS for one week. Then if the student has another unexcused tardy they will return to ISS for another week.

Maybe we look at what we do next – Should we have them write a reflections essay or something like that? Other possible ways to change this behavior and keep them accountable. Maybe we shorten the time of the tardy (15 mins) so that it counts as an absence. Grades are affected if a student has more than “so many” absences.

### **FINANCIAL REPORTS/REVIEW/APPROVE:**

- A. Financial Reports – Cash Flow: We ended the semester with 154. We are currently at 162. This is a huge concern for our budget which was set at 170. So we need to look at our expenses and see where we might be able to make adjustments or changes to help the budget. We sometimes see an increase after report cards come out and they are due out this week.

## **INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:**

- A. Enrollment Update: We are currently at 163 students.
- B. Middle School Update: We have 6/7 students enrolled already. We have information sessions scheduled each month through May. We hope to have 25 per grade. If needed we will have smaller pods and or mixed classes. We feel like we are too far to call this off, for lack of students. We have 2 teachers and an interested applicant for SPED, we will still need 2 teachers. Rosy asked if any of our current staff was interested in teaching at the Middle School? As of now we are not aware of any that would be willing to move to the middle school.
- C. Intensive Update: Intensives went well. This was our first year of having Intensives in Dec. and EXPO mid day. It all seemed to go very well.
- D. Winter Wilderness (Gathering): We had winter gathering with breakfast and lunch each day for the students. The crews created skits, went on hikes, participated in crew games, and activities. All seemed positive and went great.  
We are asking parents if they would like to come into Crew Classes for Career Day. We have had 3 responses so far. Our hope is for them to share their schooling/careers and experience with the students. Giving them insight and possibly ideas, knowledge and options for their future.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Andrew Newton adjourned the meeting at 5:55

## **FUTURE MEETING DATES:**

- February 6th – Northpoint Campus – Room #111