

North Davis Preparatory Academy
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Location: 1765 W. Hill Field Rd.
April 1, 2009



Approved: June 3, 2009

In Attendance: Monte Poll, Mornie Sims, Kristin Elinkowski, Rita Alexander
Others in Attendance: Amy Vidmar (Student Representative), Debby Gomberg (Principal), Emily Coon, Kurt Farnsworth (Vice Principal), Walter Elliott (Teacher)

VISION:

North Davis Preparatory Academy students develop a love of learning, experience high academic achievement, and enjoy high bi-literate proficiency.

PURPOSE:

To instill in our students a love of learning through enjoyable learning experiences, a progressive educational program in core subjects and a bi-literate curriculum, all in a environment of respect, parental involvement, and a strong sense of community.

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INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

- ❖ Welcome and Introductions —Monte Poll
- ❖ Pledge of Allegiance by Madilyn Wickstrom
- ❖ Vision by Amy Vidmar

Monte made a motion to approve the CONSENT ITEMS. Motion passed unanimously.

- ❖ Approve Board Meeting Minutes from February 4, 2009

REPORTS

- ❖ Principal Report
 - The administration is taking the time to meet with each family prior to their registration. It has been very beneficial in helping to understand each family's needs and the families have been more likely to stay committed to the school.
 - Debby is very pleased, in general, with how things are going in the classroom. The students and teachers are working on critical thinking skills and teachers are becoming more experienced.
 - How are the students doing?
 - Jr. High Update
 - The junior high is doing very well. The basketball team just ended their season, the drama play is done, and testing will be underway the end of this month.
 - Spanish Update
 - Walter Elliott presented the Spanish Oral testing scores. The majority of the students are still at a beginning level, though some scored in the intermediate level in the upper grades. This gives us a good baseline from which to build.
 - Hopefully, by the end of the year, the students will be able to be tested on reading and fluency.
- ❖ POET Report
 - POET is doing very well, they're planning the art auction and the end of year celebration. The new leadership has been determined for 2009 – 2010.
- ❖ Student Report
 - NDPA is starting soccer, cross country, another dance,
- ❖ Brad reported that this year there will be a 1.5% budget decrease, but it is anticipated the State will make up for this by giving Federal Stimulus money to the schools when the State receives it. Next year, the school anticipates a 5% budget cut. The school is facing some major financial decisions at this point.

BUSINESS ITEMS (To be Voted Upon During Board Meeting)

- The board read through the final Application for Expansion. After some discussion, Monte made a motion to approve, motion passed unanimously.
- After some discussion, Monte made a motion to approve the proposal for the ISA (International Spanish Academy), motion passed unanimously.
- After some discussion, Monte made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 School Calendar, motion passed unanimously.
- Monte made a motion to approve the School Trust Lands budget and the Community Council's Recommendation, motion passed unanimously.
- Monte made a motion to approve the purchase agreement, the motion was unanimously rejected. The board will ask Clay Stucki look over the lease agreement.

OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS (Items For Discussion Only)

- ❖ The board did not have any further questions on the budget presented by Brad and Debby.
- ❖ After reviewing the interested applicants, it was decided that we would offer positions to 2 of them (replacing Mornie Sims at the end of her term, and Oscar Aguayo with 1 year remaining of his term). Oscar has found that he is very busy with his new job and unable to meet his obligation with the board at this time.
- ❖ No additional calendaring items.

Monte made a motion to temporarily move to a closed session to discuss the negotiation of property, motion passed unanimously.