

North Davis Preparatory Academy
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Location: 1765 W. Hill Field Rd.
October 3, 2007



Approved: 5 December 2007

In Attendance: Monte Poll, Trent Brown, Mornie Sims, Oscar Aguayo, Shauna Reynolds
Others in Attendance: Debby Gomberg (Principal), Jed Stevenson (AW), Emily Coon (AW)

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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8:04 PM – CALL TO ORDER

Motion to approve the consent items as listed by Shauna Reynolds. Trent Brown seconded the motion.
Motion Passed Unanimously.

- ❖ Approve Board Meeting Minutes from June 2007
- ❖ Approve Work Session Minutes from June 2007

REPORTS

- ❖ Principal Report
 - North Davis Prep Academy met AYP during the 2006-2007 school year.
 - The Killer Units will be different than any teacher has ever taught before. Every grade level will include subjects that are broader than is required in the core curriculum. There will be an Open House that all students will participate in by showing what they learned; for example the third grade will have a museum to show what they have learned about Utah History and how they have incorporated Geography into the units. The Killer Units are more inline with the school's Vision and the 5 End Statements. The media will be invited.
 - Parents were concerned that instruction would be differentiated rather than leveled, as had been done in the past. Debby agreed to watch the students of concerned parents in particular and she contacted the parents of those students after Parent Teacher conferences. The feedback she received was generally very positive. The feedback from the teachers is that they have not been overwhelmed; they have the tools they need to make the program succeed.
- ❖ PTO Report
 - The PTO is changing things a bit, rather than having a school-wide Spelling Bee and Geography Bee, the PTO is working in the individual grades levels to allow more students opportunities to participate and to offer additional opportunities within the Killer Units.

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- The Book Fair earned \$1,400 and 250 free books. Thank you Kim Valeika for overseeing this!
- The Carnival is Saturday, October 20th from 4 – 7 pm. The PTO is hiring the Student Government from North Davis Junior High to help oversee the booths so the parents can participate with their families.
- ❖ **Academica Report**
 - The junior high progress report was given during a closed session because it was addressing land acquisition.
 - Debby commented that she really appreciates AW's Technology Services. AW has helped the school find a web designer and two tech support individuals, and acquiring the T-1 line. Teachers are often using technology in their classrooms such as digital projectors and Google Earth.

BUSINESS ITEMS (To Be Voted Upon)

- ❖ Motion to Accept the Financial Summary Report for October 2007 by Mornie Sims, second by Oscar Aguayo. Motion Passed Unanimously.
- ❖ We received our Implementation monies earlier than expected, and, thus, had to spend them earlier. We are required to spend the monies according to the budget as it was submitted in the original grant. We are allowed to move 10% of the monies from one category to another, and we moved \$10,900 from Textbooks to Furniture and Equipment. This new budget also reflects the amount we received for our K-3 Literacy monies. Trent made a motion to approve the budget adjustments. Shauna Reynolds seconded the motion. Motion Passed Unanimously.
- ❖ The NDPA Technology committee gave a report to the Board at the June meeting which outlined our plan to upgrade the technology at the school. The plan included the purchase of 25 new computers, 2 new servers (one for this building, and one for the new building), several new projectors and document readers for the classrooms. It also included funds to pay for some additional tech support and teacher training. The board heard the recommended plan, but since they did not formally approve the plan (which was not required), Debby feels that it would be prudent for the board to approve such large expenses, even though no one item was over the \$1500 amount. These purchases were made during the summer, and the board voted via email. The invoices have been given to the board members. Oscar Aguayo recommended the board ratify the approval of the purchases. Mornie seconded the motion. Motion Passed Unanimously.
- ❖ When we expand, we will add 50 new kindergarteners, 50 new 1st graders, 25 new 2nd graders, 12 new 4th graders, 32 new 5th graders and 26 new 6th graders. These new students will be in addition to the 300 Jr. High students in grades 7 through 9. We will need to move 200 students into the new building. The committee considered 2 different ideas. One, to move the 5th and 6th grades over, and the other was to move kindergarten and 6th grade. Given the weaknesses of our current building including the size and number of the classrooms, the committee decided to recommend that the 5th and 6th grades move over to the new building with the Jr. High. Mornie made a motion that the board accept the recommendation of the Jr. High committee and place grades K through 4 in our current building and place 5 through 9 in the new building. Trent Brown seconded the motion.
- ❖ Shauna made a motion to approve the Revised Enrollment and Lottery Policy. Oscar Aguayo seconded the motion. Motion Passed Unanimously.
- ❖ Trent Brown recommended we approve the new Records Management Policy. Mornie Sims seconded the motion. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Oscar Aguayo made a motion to accept the following people who were carefully screened and interviewed for teaching and staff assistant positions. Shauna Reynolds seconded the motion. Motion Passed Unanimously.

1. 2nd Grade	Jacqui Coleman	NDPA Staff Asst with an ARL
2. 3rd Grade	Beatriz Sagura	From Spain
3. 4th Grade	María Fernandez	From Spain
4. 6th Grade	Antonio Alarcón	From Spain
5. 6th Grade	Amy Gray	ARL (only needs student teaching)

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The following people were carefully screened and interviewed for staff assistant positions. (The right column provides a brief description of their experience):

1. Mary Ray Assoc., TA experience, Sub experience
2. Carol Hooker Parent Volunteer
3. Deborah Sloan (PT) Parent Volunteer
4. Amy Haney Parent, Long-term Davis substitute teacher
5. Angee Lowry (PT) Parent, former substitute
6. Kristy Pendrey (PT) Parent, NDPA Choir Director

Trent Brown recommends we accept the Resolution to direct Academica West to make application for this loan in the amount of \$200,000. Mornie Sims seconded the motion. Motion Passed Unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS (Items For Discussion Only)

- ❖ There may be some grants the school qualifies for and may apply for. More information will be forthcoming. Jed wanted to make sure the board understands with every dollar received, it will come with requirements. He would like the board to make sure they evaluate the grant to make sure they are willing to meet the requirements.

No public comments.

Motion to adjourn the board meeting by Shauna Reynolds. Trent Brown seconded the motion. Motion Passed Unanimously.

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