

In Attendance: Monte Poll, Rita Alexander, Kristin Elinkowski, Kathy Thornburg
Others in Attendance: Kurt Farnsworth (VP), Debby Gomberg (Principal), Sheldon Killpack (AW), Emily Coon (AW), Brent Van Alfen (Providence Financial Company, Inc.)

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.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

- ❖ Welcome and Introductions —Monte Poll
- ❖ Pledge of Allegiance – Kurt Farnsworth
- ❖ Vision – Rita Alexander

REPORTS

- ❖ Principal Report – Debby Gomberg
 - The school has had an outbreak of chicken pox and is working closely with the health department to identify students who have not been immunized against the chicken pox.
 - Kory Kahn from USOE met with Debby and audited the school and was very impressed with the school and the education and organization of the school.
 - Debby announced that NDPA made Adequate Yearly Progress last year. NDPA has made AYP for every year of its existence.
 - Debby also reported there were 970 students listed on our October 1 report.
- ❖ Board Report
 - There are three items that will be changed at a future board meeting; one is regarding the custodial services, the second is regarding special education outsourcing, and the third item is ARRA funds that will be voted on tonight.
- ❖ Academics Report
 - AW has hired an additional employee whose specialty is Special Education. Echo will be working closely with NDPA in special education budgets, funding, reporting, etc.

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

- ❖ Approve Board Meeting Minutes from August 5, 2009
- ❖ Approve Board Meeting Minutes from August 6, 2009
- ❖ Approve Electronic Board Meeting Minutes from August 25, 2009
- ❖ Approve Electronic Board Meeting Minutes from September 28, 2009
- ❖ Ratify the Contract with Productive Data Solutions (PDS)
- ❖ Ratify New Hires (since last board meeting)
- ❖ Ratify Light Fixture Purchase for Elementary Gym

BUSINESS ITEMS (To be Voted Upon During Board Meeting)

- Debby would like to use the ARRA money to remodel the Special Education and Speech Therapy Room. The bid came in under \$32,000 with additional modifications to room 101. Monte made a motion to approve this recommendation from Debby, motion passed unanimously.
- Monte made a motion to approve the purchase of the two mobile computer labs. Motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS (Items For Discussion Only)

- ❖ Brent gave an update on the building purchase options. The school has already been rated by Standard and Poors, which puts them a little ahead of the game. It is possible the school could get a 30 year fixed bond at 6.5%. Brent completed a printed out a Lease vs. Buy analysis. Brent is estimating the first year savings to be approximately \$136,000. The school would need an updated appraisal since the existing appraisal would be more than a year old. The point person on the board to work with Brent will be Monte. The board will be moving forward with the purchase of the buildings.
- ❖ Board members discussed the board retreat and various items that could be improved for next year's retreat. Debby stated the board is still committed to the NDPA vision as it is currently written along with the 5 End Statements. Some people would like to have the retreat earlier in the summer rather than in the fall. Board members discussed their roles in the school and what they would like to focus on and various things they can do to become somewhat more visible to parents.
- ❖ There are currently no calendaring items.

7:53 – Motion to adjourn by Monte Poll. Motion passed unanimously.