

MINUTES

Present: Debby Gomberg, Trent Brown, Monte Poll, Mornie Sims
Other: Jed Stevenson

7:10 PM – Meeting called to order by Monte Poll

1. Pledge of Allegiance led by Mac Sims.
2. School Vision read by Kim Valeika.

CONSENT ITEMS:

1. December 13, 2005 Board Meeting and Workshop Minutes
Trent moved to approve the consent items. Mornie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS:

1. Kim Valeika gave an overview of the various activities the POET is working towards.
2. Principal Gomberg reported that the new first grade teacher, Mrs. Brown, is doing a wonderful job. Furthermore, she reported that the former 1st grade teacher is doing a great job in her new position as Spanish teacher. The Valentines Day celebration will unfold the same as last year with Valentines cards including compliments to the students rather than candy. Also, regarding the school's traffic situation, it was reported that a Layton city police officer has recommended adding an additional eighty feet of loading zone to the east of the current loading zone, staggering the pickup times, and conducting a further traffic survey.
3. Jed Stevenson gave a Management Company Report. Academica is doing what they can to promote the equalization of dollars going to Charter schools and encourages all families of NDPA to contact their legislature in support as well. The light pole is under contract to be fixed. Academica will be sending 2 individuals to the National Charter School Conference this March.
4. Trent Brown reported that NDPA is fiscally sound and within its yearly projected budget. See attached report.
5. Mornie Sims reported that the meeting with John Broberg and other state officials was overall a successful endeavor although Mr. Broberg voiced some concerns that the NDPA board be fully aware of the complexity of the proposed undertaking. Mrs. Sims also announced that the Jr. High Committee will move forward toward making a solid recommendation to the NDPA board of directors regarding the proposal to amend the NDPA charter to include Jr. High grades.
6. Monte Poll reported on the school's technology committee. Regarding the website, he had requested a list of all items that need to be on the website and did not get a great response. Therefore, a stronger call for regularly updated website information was

issued. The purpose for such a suggestion was to emphasize the fact that the technology committee is *only* responsible for *posting* the material not retrieving the information. Additionally, Monte announced that the school will be implementing a pilot program usage of the "Sprocket" software. Sprocket is a work order system or facilities management system. This system is made available to the school thanks to a donation by Rebecca Farraway.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Mornie Sims presented the newly formatted school policies for approval. A discussion ensued to table a few of the policies for various reasons. **Trent moved to approve the following policies, Mornie Sims seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.** *Staff Grievance Policy, Uniform Policy, Reverence Policy, Food and Candy Policy, Family Educations Rights and Policy, Copyright Policy, Purchasing/Disbursement Policy, Volunteer Hours Policy, Financial Contributions Policy, Donation of Personal Time Off Policy, Capitalization and Expense Policy, Staffing Policy, and Minutes Policy.*
2. **Mornie Sims moved to remove the *POET Renewal Policy* from the Board policies. Trent Brown Seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.**
3. **Trent Brown moved to table the *Application Process for POET Co-Chair Policy*, Mornie Sims seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Mac Sims addressed the placing of public comment at the beginning of the NDPA board meetings rather than at the end. Furthermore, he inquired about language in the bylaws regarding potential conflict with the school charter.
2. Thanks were given by Kim Valeika regarding the decision to maintain the Valentine's Day card tradition the same as last year.

7:40 PM – Adjourn. **Mornie Sims moved to adjourn. Trent Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

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