Governance Council Minutes



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March 18th, 2014

In Attendance:

Sue Sewell-Principal Katie Meister – Parent/District Employee

Tonya Roberts- Parent/President Katie Kastenson Schmidt – Teacher

Suzy Zietlow-Teacher Melody Tadych – Parent

Laura Reetz-Parent Stephanie Beaver - Parent

Meeting called to order at 6:20 PM.

February minutes approved by Tonya, seconded by Laura.

No public comment.

 DCS Contract Renewal – Sue The DCS contract has been approved by BOE. It is a five-year contract.

2. Dissemination Grant -

- The MondoPad (purchased from Dissemination funds) has been used for Skyping for Reading Recovery staff.
- b. All Charter Teachers have been working on curriculum documentation. They worked with Sue at the Green Schools Network conference in Green Lake. Katie and Suzy presented two sessions at the WSST conference in Appleton this past weekend. All Charter Teachers will be going to NSTA's conference in Boston in the beginning of April. Sue will be going to the Green School's National Conference in Sacramento over Spring Break. Katie and Suzy will be going to the WISN conference over Spring Break. There may be another visitation day this spring and a videographer coming to document Charter School work this spring as well.
- 3. **Council Recruitment** Sue and Tonya will be getting applications out for Council Recruitment. The new Council will include four parents and two community members. Katie K.S. will contact Dr. Davis about finding a business owner who would be interested in serving on the Governance Council.
- 4. **Document Updates** Tonya has been working on updating the DCS Governance Council handbook. Tonya's asked the Council members for feedback on the document, which it will use for revisions for next council meeting. Suzy will update the DCS website with current DCS documents (including polices, contract and bylaws.)

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5. **Sibling Policies** – Council discussed guaranteeing that siblings of DCS current and alumni students be given a spot within Charter. Present Governance Council members' children are guaranteed a spot (if they so choose) within the Charter School.

Laura moved to approve this new language to be added to DCS documents.

Katie Meister seconded, motion passed.

6. **DCS Identity** - Sue provided information to the Council that was shared with all CES staff regarding Clarification and Definition of DCS that highlighted ways CES and DCS collaborate as well as ways that DCS works independently.

Motion to adjourn by Tonya at 7:10 PM. Seconded by Katie K.S. Motion passed.

Next Regular Meeting – April 15th, 2014

- Council Recruitment
- Dissemination Grant Activities
- Open House/Spring Events