Governance Council Minutes



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Date: April 15th, 2014

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Sue Sewell-Principal Laura Reetz-Parent

Tonya Roberts- Parent/President Paul Van de Hei – Community Member

Peggy First-Teacher Lacy George - Parent

Melody Tadych-Parent

Suzy Zietlow-Teacher

Meeting called to order at 6:20 PM.

March minutes approved by Laura, Seconded by Paul. Motion passed.

No public comment.

1. **Update on Dissemination Grant Renewal** – Sue reviewed the grant renewal that was sent to DPI. DCS will host the No Teacher Left Inside Institute again next summer (2015), as well as extending professional development for all teachers both in and outside of our district. DCS will continue their partnership with the Green Schools Network. We will find out in August of 2014 if we receive the renewal.

DCS teachers presented a session at the Elementary Extravaganza in Boston. Suzy and Katie presented two sessions at the WSST conference in Appleton in March.

Sue attended the National Green Schools Conference in California and got some great ideas about how to continue 'greening' our school.

- 2. **DCS Council Handbook Update** Tonya will be using some of the old handbook formatting and content to update the new handbook. Council discussed the Sub-Committee meeting calendar. Laura moved to approve the subcommittee calendar, Tonya seconded it. Motion passed.
- 2. Introductions of Council Members and Potentials:

Shane Gille – new to the community, three children (one in Mrs. First's class), wants to be more involved in DCS.

Stacy Franz - 2 children, was on daughter's pre-school board, wants to be more involved DCS.

Stacy Thom – has a 2nd grader in Mrs. K.S.'s class, has been really pleased having her child in the Charter program, excited to help keep DCS more successful.

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Laura Reetz is staying on the Council as well as Paul. Tonya will stay on until a new president is in place.

Tonya reviewed the roles and responsibilities of the council members as well as the general responsibilities of the sub-committees.

3. Voting on New Members -

Suzy moved to approve all 3 candidates as parent members. Laura seconded. Motion passed.

Tonya will contact the new members to see if the 4th Tuesday of each month will work as the new Council meeting time. We will have a combined May/June meeting on June 10th.

- 4. **Amazon Fundraiser** Paul will email us about the funds we've gained from the Amazon fundraiser.
- 5. Enrollment Policy We need to add an addendum to our Charter School Contract regarding articulating our open enrollment policy and siblings of current or past DCS students. Sue will add signature lines and present this to the BOE for approval.Suzy moved to approve the addendum. Lacy seconded. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn by Tonya at 7:37 PM. Seconded by Suzy. Motion passed.

Next Regular Meeting -

- Strategic Planning Updates for June Meeting
- Next Meeting a May/June combined on Tuesday, June 10th.