

**Rocklin Academy Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Meeting Held at 5035 Meyers Street, Multi-Purpose Room**  
**6:30 p.m. Monday, November 2, 2009**

**RA Board Members and Staff Present:**

**Voting Members:** Chairwoman Wendy Boyd, Jeff Nicolaysen, Stephen Siler, Roy Beckhorn, Jarrett Black, and Melissa Garrido.

**Voting Members Absent:** Executive Director, David Patterson was out of town.

**Non-Voting Members:** Jillayne Antoon, Amy Alford and Melissa Whitney.

**Staff:** Steven Carney and Mary Decker.

**Visitors:** Parents from all three campuses were present for the presentation led by Mr. Carney.

**I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:34.

**II. Hearing of Visitors:** None.

**III. Board Member Comments**

Melissa Whitney: The Springboard program is going very well. There are 12 participants at the Turnstone campus and 12 at the Meyers campus.

Roy Beckhorn: The Harvest Carnival was very nice and he enjoyed watching the kids dance.

Jeff Nicolaysen: The Board Development Committee Meeting was exciting. RA was started by concerned parents in the school district. One of the reasons RA is doing so well is because of the teachers, and the freedom they have. He is concerned about the size of the 20-member committee, as he wants to ensure that all stakeholders have input. He feels the Board Development Committee has a job to define who makes the decisions, not to change who makes the decisions.

Melissa Garrido: She is on the Board Development Committee and would like it to be known that she has been a member of all stakeholder groups having been a teacher, administrator and a parent. She has concerns similar to those of Mr. Nicolaysen, and wants the matrix to be a guiding document and not take away innovation and creativity away from teachers. She will not vote for a document that is overabundant in nature, and does not take in the consensus of all the key stakeholder groups. Ms. Garrido also went to the Western Sierra Awards Assembly and

commended Mr. Carney for instituting fabulous incentives for CPREP and exemplifying the mission statement.

#### **IV. Consent Agenda**

- a. Enrollment Update – Turnstone, Meyers, Western Sierra**
- b. Revised Board Meeting Calendar for 2009-2010**
- c. RA K-6 Student Application Form**
- d. RA Turnstone, Meyers Enrollment Policy**
- e. Minutes of October 5, 2009**
- f. Minutes of October 19, 2009**

Item d was removed from the consent agenda and then approved with a minor correction of a date. The consent agenda was approved. Beckhorn/Nicolaysen 6-0

#### **V. Administration Report**

- a. Executive Director – Dr. Patterson**
- b. Director of Education/Western Sierra Principal – Steven Carney**
- c. Director of Development – Donja Garvey**
- d. Chief Financial Officer (CFO) – Melissa Reese**

#### Verbal Updates

Steven Carney: Mr. Carney asked that the date of November 16<sup>th</sup> be saved. Western Sierra is holding its first semi-annual World Café Evening consisting of parent input in a café format. He would love for parents to participate and express their opinions as to what is working and not working. The Board is invited. The Café Evening will start at 6:30 p.m. with PSP launching their volunteer incentive program.

Melissa Reese: Mrs. Reese was unable to attend. Chairwoman Boyd informed the board that Ms. Reese will be sending expenditures to the Board to review and the auditors are scheduled for November 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### **VI. PSP Report**

Meyers: The Harvest Carnival went very well and the kids enjoyed the activities. There were 250 in attendance and the funds have not been totaled yet.

Turnstone: No report.

Western Sierra: Daksha Shah asked that the board review the bylaws and give their feedback so that the document can be finalized. She will be passing along the org chart soon. Board members can contact Mrs. Shah at [wscapsp@me.com](mailto:wscapsp@me.com) for questions or concerns.

#### **VII. Information/Action**

**a. Goal Setting Workshop for Board 2009-2010 Perceptions Data from Teacher, Parent Student Survey (2008-2009 Data)**

Perceptions were gathered through a questionnaire issued the end of the 2008/09 school year. Results were reviewed from the perception surveys so that the Board could examine what stakeholders believe, perceive, or think about different topics important to Rocklin Academy. Through a data discovery and inquiry process led by Mr. Carney, the Board, parents and staff reviewed two goals set for the 2008/2009 school year.

- By Spring 2009, 80% of Rocklin Academy parents will respond positively to survey questions regarding communication about student achievement.
- By Spring 2009, 80% of Rocklin Academy students will respond that they have not been bullied.

It was determined that the communication goal was met with 80% of parents surveyed responding with “agree or “strongly agree”. It was discussed that the bullying perception goal was difficult to determine if it was met, due to the nature of the questions. It was decided that the questions regarding bullying will need some changes in order to get the information needed.

The following new SMART goals were discussed and will be recommended for adoption:

- By Spring 2009, 85% of Rocklin Academy parents and students will respond positively to survey questions regarding communication about standards, standards-based report cards, and progress toward standards.
- By Spring 2009, 80% of Rocklin Academy staff and students will respond positively to survey questions regarding use and support of technology integration.

**Meeting was adjourned to closed session at 9:13**

**Closed session was adjourned at 10:00**

**Action Taken in Closed Session: None**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Nicole Alldredge**

