

Rocklin Academy Board Meeting Minutes
****Special Meeting ****
Meeting Held at 660 Menlo Drive
6:30 p.m., Monday, September 24, 2012

RA Board Members and Staff Present:

Voting Members: Chairman Doug Johnson, Rick Miller, Melissa Garrido, Doug Johnson, Peggy Broussard, Nate Pomeroy, Adam Schwarz and David George

Voting Members Absent: None

Visitors: Larry Pastore, Jake Rosenberg, Diana Higashi, Elise Segers, Trisha Smith, Wendy Lang, Cindy DeBortoli and Agnes Chang

Staff Present: Phil Spears, Brigid Perakis, Miken Dayton, Jillayne Antoon, Robin Antoon, Leta Romeo, April Leatherman, Jenny Marple, Heidi Little, Robin Stout and Chip Kling

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:31.

III. Hearing of Visitors:

Kim Dvorak had a question from a parent to look at the amount of hours that parents are contributing towards the Washington D.C. field trip. It is requested from this parent that the hours contributed towards the field trip be counted towards the overall volunteer requirement.

Wendy Lang reported that RUSD has received a number of emails and phone calls from parents regarding the Springboard program. She is hopeful that in the additional information that is going out to parents, it will inform them that it was not RUSD's doing to cancel the Springboard program. She hopes that we will all continue in the journey to move forward.

IV. Board Member Comments:

Peggy Broussard is looking forward to the RAFOS Pancake Breakfast, and encouraged everyone to come and attend from 7-11 a.m. on September 29.

Nate Pomeroy reported that the Finance Committee is making great progress, and they expect to keep very busy helping the schools and organization to navigate through all financial issues.

Melissa Garrido reported that the celebration to honor Wendy Boyd is being planned. This will include about 15 minutes at the next board meeting.

Adam Schwarz congratulated all of the schools on their outstanding STAR results.

V. Consent Agenda

- a. Enrollment: Rocklin Academy Turnstone, Rocklin Academy Meyers, and Western Sierra Collegiate Academy**
- b. Minutes of August 6, 2012**
- c. Minutes of August 13, 2012**
- d. Minutes of September 10, 2012**
- e. Expenditures**
- f. Unaudited Actuals**
- g. Authorization to Pay**
- h. Check Register**
- i. Ratification of Hires**
- j. Employee Handbook**

Item V(i) was pulled and the Consent Agenda was passed. Broussard/Pomeroy 7-0

Broussard requested that the Unaudited Actuals should be reviewed by the Board before they are submitted in the future.

Item V(i) was passed. Broussard/Miller 6-0 (One abstention due to conflict of interest)

VI. Administrative Reports

Verbal Updates:

Western Sierra PSP encouraged everyone to come to the pancake breakfast. Turnstone PSP announced invited the Board to attend the Jog-A-Thon and Meyers reported that the start of the year has been great, the book sale went well and the Jog-A-Thon and Harvest Festival are coming up.

VII. Information Action

(a) Introduction of New Faculty and Staff

The new faculty and staff were introduced to the Board.

(b) Governing Policies and Procedures

Melissa Garrido and Nicole Alldredge are assembling a matrix of current policies, and policies that need to be implemented based on the Charter School Development Center's Board Policies Inventory. The goal is to complete this matrix for the Board's review at the November board meeting.

(c) STAR Results

This year's report on STAR testing results was presented in chart format. The Board reviewed the charts and offered congratulations to students, teachers and staff on the excellent results. Peggy Broussard requested another update in February of how the teachers used the data presented to prepare the students for the test next year. Rick Miller requested a breakout of a sub-group. He would like to see Algebra broken out by grade and information for the summative mathematics. He also would like

to know if the Core Knowledge Science scores have a connection with the results. Parent, Agnes Chang requested AP Test scores be reviewed.

(d) Teacher/Student Advisory Positions

The Teacher Advisory positions were voted on and announced. Miken Dayton will serve for Western Sierra, Amy Alford will serve for Meyers and Heidi Little will serve for Turnstone.

The procedure used to select a Student Advisor will now be Board Policy. Broussard/George (7-0)

(e) Board Retreat

It was the consensus of the Board to schedule the retreat for two or three workshops in the evening. Information will be disseminated as the dates are finalized.

(f) State Charter School Facilities Incentive Grant Program – Approval for Rocklin Academy Meyers Street

The resolution accepting the Charter School Facilities Incentive Grant was approved.
Pomeroy/Broussard 7-0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37.

Respectfully submitted,
Nicole Alldredge