

SKY Academy
Board of Directors
MINUTES
Monday, April 25, 2015
5:00 p.m.

Called to order at 5:06 pm

Present: Michelle Hazeltine, Joyce Long, Angie Chace, Wayne Roberts, Ken Modzelewski, Steve Smith, Mr. & Mrs. (Parents of current student)

Absent: Dianne Cogburn, Bill Mehserle

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion to accept minutes:

Motion made by: Michelle Hazeltine

Seconded by: Wayne Roberts

VOTE: Approved 4-0

Parent Involvement Rep Report – Meeting was joined by concerned Parents of a current student. See public presentation below.

Principal's Report

- Curriculum/Assessments
 - o FSA testing is going well. No technical issues to report.
 - o Poetry winners are Mikaela Bently (6th grade) and Callie Goff (8th grade)
 - o 8th grade intensive reading has a group of kids still struggling but working hard in AEP. Hoping to show growth through FSA testing.

- Long-Term Planning
 - o As of 4/18 we have 175 students in Englewood for 2016-2017 and 265 in Venice
 - o We currently have 8 students who do not plan to reregister for next year.
 - o 8th grade graduation is June 2nd 5:30-7:00
 - o One PE teacher will be moved to Englewood
 - o Speech and Debate will be offered as a course code next year for 8th graders.

- Fundraising/Community Outreach
 - o Run a Thon was very successful with full participation from student body. Profit was made in our fundraising attempts.
 - o May 13th will be our pool party/BBQ. Existing students along with friends and anyone interested in coming to SKY next year are welcome to attend.
 - o May 13th we have a school wide run

- We are currently working with the YMCA in partnering our PE students with Seniors to compete in various activities while building relationships.
- Wellness and Nutrition
 - Working to determine why breakfast is not better attended. Suggestion to take survey of student body to see what kind of foods they would prefer to have. Also, suggestion of a reward system to be offered to students.
 - More schools getting publicity for kinesthetic classrooms
 - End of year data is being collected in PE along with BMI testing
 - PE has started to incorporate new activities such as Watermelon Polo, Lacrosse and Spin.

No old business

New Business:

- Fundraising and endowment:
 - Michelle met with her fundraising committee to develop ways to help raise funds/endowments for needed exercise equipment in the classrooms and other specific items.
 - Looking for a volunteer Grant writer. Suggestion was made to contact State College of Florida for any graduates who need/want the practice.
 - Would also like to see more involvement from families next year. Gretchen at Venice Elementary has been very successful at this and was suggested to meet with our SAC committee to develop a plan.
 - Maybe host more events like a silent auction to help raise money.
- Charter extension: Board discussed the verbiage we want stated in our Charter extension that was approved. Points included the number of Board members needed (bylaws vs district) and designation of formal titles within the Board (President, Secretary, Treasurer).

Motion to approve suggested amendments for submission to the district:

Motion made by: Michelle Hazeltine

Seconded by: Joyce Long

VOTE: Approved 4-0

Public Presentation:

- The parents of a current student joined us at 5:17 pm with concerns regarding the details of a write up and suspension their child received after school hours while at the YMCA. The board listened to their concerns and determined our policy would remain in effect, as stated in the student handbook/agenda, for the rest of this school year and that we would

consider a revision for the 2016-2017 school year. The parents left at 5:40 pm with a promise to receive a written letter regarding their concerns and the Board's decision.

Motion to adjourn at 6:18 pm

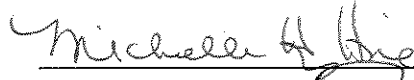
Motion made by: Michelle Hazeltine

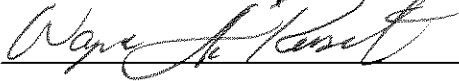
Seconded by: Joyce Long

Vote: Approved 4-0

Minutes taken by: Crystal Burritt

Minutes approved by:







* Names have been excluded
for confidentiality

Dear Mr. & Mrs.

The SKY Board appreciates your concern and attention to the matter of your son's suspension and the YMCA usage. Based on the conversation and the information that was presented ' was suspended for insubordination and being disrespectful to Mr. Smith. There were multiple instances where was insubordinate and when Mr. Smith informed him that he would be suspended for Thursday and Friday his response was "How about Monday too?" This was an acceptable consequence based on the scenario that took place.

In reference to the rules and regulations of who can attend the YMCA after school. The Board agrees to the verbiage that is listed in every student's agenda. "Students are to be off campus and en route home by 2:50, unless participating in a pre-arranged activity supervised by a SKIY teacher or at aftercare."
Approved After-school Activities All students not participating in YMCA Aftercare or any scheduled SKY sport, Club or SKY Academic Enrichment Program cannot remain on the SKY campus.

While the SKY Board understands that there is not a perfect scenario that allows SKY students open access to the YMCA, we feel that the procedure that is in place is the most effective at this time. They SKY Board will continue to look at all the policies and procedures to ensure the safety and security of all SKY students is the utmost importance.

Thank you,

Michele Hazeltine, SKY Board Chair