

SKY Academy
Board of Directors
MINUTES
Monday, November 30, 2015
5:00 p.m.

Called to order at 5:02 pm

Present: Steve Smith, Michelle Hazeltine, Dianne Cogburn, Joyce Long, Wayne Roberts, Ken Modzelewski

Absent: none

Pledge of Allegiance

Principal's Report

- Curriculum/Assessments
 - o 2014-2015 school grades coming in January
 - o Good growth with AEP program. Main focus has always been Reading. Math remediation is now a part of AEP.
 - o Google classroom and Study Island training was held on our last Professional day with great success. Teachers are already using what they learned and helping each other when needed.
 - o Afterschool program has shifted to a more academic based focus. Each grade is with a grade level teacher and they work on homework, classwork, Study Island and I-Ready. There has been a slight decrease in students but good feedback from staff and parents.
 - o Adding "Motion to approve minutes" to the agenda going forward.

- Long-Term Planning
 - o **Enrollment:** Currently 273 for Venice and 94 for Englewood.
 - o **Marketing:**
 - Christina will be in Englewood on 12/1 to assess our Marketing and provide any updates needed.
 - Currently waiting on Sarasota County list for incoming 6th graders. Purchasing Charlotte County list for incoming 6th graders.
 - Gearing up to start marketing for the next school year with brochures highlighting our STEM, Health and Wellness, and Aftercare program. Inquiring about the cost to run TV ads, newspaper ads and articles. North Port will be a heavy focus. Aggressive marketing is the goal to bring up interest and numbers.
 - A suggestion was made to put more decals on the buses advertising open enrollment and SKY.
 - o Welcomed Wayne Roberts as our new Board member. Thankful to have him aboard. Mr. Roberts has completed his Governance training.

- Discussed adding more Board members due to the changeover. Voting on the addition of Bill Mizerly, Jr and Kathleen Castellano next meeting.
 - Charter extension will be reviewed on Dec 15th. Making great progress to have material and data available.
 - **Staffing:** Reorganization of Cafeteria to improve the focus on Health and Wellness. Teachers are continually adhering to our standards of going above and beyond with students success. Homework/Classwork help is being provided before and after school and during lunch.
- Fundraising/Community Outreach
- 5th grade information night is currently being planned and will take place on Feb 9th. Everyone is invited. One more will be scheduled at a later date.
 - Dec 2nd we will host our 8th grade breakfast. It has been communicated through parent email, Connect Ed and word of mouth.
 - **Fundraising Ideas:**
 - Any and all input is welcome
 - Run a Thon being planned
 - PE Symposium was suggested to include Coaches from other schools and areas to see what makes us different. Possibly include our Clemson connections when/if that program is up and running.
 - Hand out flyers at YMCA this weekend while they are hosting their Pictures with Santa Claus event.
 - Possible presentation by Ken and Steve at the Charter Conference highlighting what we do
 - Focus group being held on Dec 15th to get parent input about SKY. 25 to 30 families invited. Email was sent out twice and a Connect Ed message will be sent. Currently 4 parents have RSVP'd.
 - SAC meetings are going well and held monthly
 - Bryan Burns, Wendi Dunlap and Natalie Gaudreau will be receiving the Best and Brightest Scholarship.
- Wellness and Nutrition
- Boys data has been collected in PE and has been posted. Middle of year goals have also been set.
 - Core Value awards are still a main focus. 1st Quarter awards have been given and top students from each grade will be rewarded. Reward TBD
 - A new program involving the Head strength and conditioning coach from Clemson is being explored. A connection through one of our PE coaches has brought light to this program which would be a great addition to our PE curriculum.

Board of Director's Report (Michelle Hazeltine)

Michelle would like to move forward with finding Grants to help support SKY. Currently the research and execution will be held by the Board until the YMCA's marketing team is up and running from change overs.

Adjourned at 5:58 pm

Minutes taken by: Crystal Burritt

Minutes approved by: Dianne F. Coghlan
Michelle Hazeltine

Approved
1/25/16