

Voyager, A Public Charter School
Voyager Governing Board of Directors Meeting

Date: March 12, 2015 @ 5:45 p.m.

March Meeting Minutes

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Agenda - 5:47 p.m.

- I. Call to Order
 - a. Members present: George Moyer, Diane Anderson, Lisa Ota, Shirley Cheung, Jeff Vilardi, Meghan Bonnie, Phillip Hasha, Autumn Soda, Joni Tamayo-Wilson, Amy Fiandach
 - b. Members not present: Neal Harding
 - c. Motion to approve last meeting's minutes as amended:
 - i. Diane: call for vote
 - ii. Jeff: second
 - iii. Approved

- II. Stakeholders Reports
 - a. Parents
 - i. Autumn: Voyager Concert
 1. Voyager Concert on March 7 was a success with 2500+ attendees
 - a. Concert vendors and entertainment were professional, diverse
 - b. Big silent auction
 2. Jeff: 100% teacher attendance, 80% Governing Board attendance, high rate of Voyager support/office staff attendance
 3. Joni: Receipts are processing, but a conservative estimation of earnings is between \$18-20K
 - b. Teachers/Staff
 - i. Amy: ActivBoard demonstration
 1. ActivBoard has increased student engagement
 2. Currently, 1 ActivBoard per academy + Special Education (4 total)
 - a. A second ActivBoard will be added per academy in SY 2015-16
 - c. Principal
 - i. Jeff:
 1. Social Media
 - a. Parents have been running Voyager's Facebook and provided good publicity for Voyager Concert
 2. Special Education Position
 - a. Followed up with Commission regarding 3rd Special Education teacher's status (leave with pay):

- i. DOE standing firm and reiterates that she was never hired
 - ii. DOE approved a new teacher hire for that position
 - iii. DOE is supposedly paying her
 - 1. Although communicate that she is not an employee
 - b. Awaiting further directions- will look into for more information
- 3. Staffing
 - a. PE teacher resigned because of health and personal reasons
 - i. Multiple candidates were interviewed for PE position
 - ii. Awaiting background/fingerprint checks, new hire will start as early as 3/23/15
 - b. 3 teacher resignations for SY 2015-16
 - i. Mrs. Don (grades 4/5), Mrs. Sanchez (Spanish), and Mr. Kenyon (music)
 - ii. Jeff wants to hire internally
 - 1. Student Teachers
 - c. 2 additional staffing positions:
 - i. 2nd Interventionist (\$55K)
 - 1. 3-5 years experience as instructional coach or interventionist creating more than 1 year growth in a short time frame
 - 2. Effective behavior management skills
 - 3. Can identify students with special needs
 - ii. Art/Music Teacher (\$28-30K)
 - 1. Responsibilities: full-time specialist in classroom, lunchroom monitor, and Arts Integration Mentor to help teachers incorporate art into lessons
- 4. Enrollment
 - a. 274 students: Since 10/15/14 have lost 5 students
 - b. 256 students submitted intent to return
 - c. Expecting full capacity for SY 2015-16
 - i. 107 student applications received
 - ii. Ideal enrollment: 312 students
 - iii. Maximum enrollment: 320 students
- 5. Cash donations:
 - a. \$1600 for new picnic tables
 - i. \$800 received in 2 days
 - b. \$30K in donations this year
- 6. Professional Development
 - a. Arts Integration and Essential Elements of Instruction are focus for SY 2015-16
- 7. Budget

- a. Jeff and Lynn will work on budget next week during Spring Break
 - 8. Academy Organization for SY 2015-16
 - a. K-2 academy would like to separate combined grades 1/2 with 22 students in each class
 - i. K-2 academy will still participate in multi-age specials, unit study
 - ii. Teachers will loop with 1st grade classes to 2nd grade
- III. Finances
 - a. Joni:
 - i. \$12K above budget
 - 1. Lines that are less than anticipated:
 - a. Water (usage has improved)
 - b. Parking
 - c. Federal Impact Aid that was not budgeted
 - ii. Unaccounted income is being received
 - iii. Need to draft a policy to cover specific facilities based on needs
 - iv. Fund Balance
 - 1. Goal: 25% above budget
 - 2. Currently at 11%
 - v. Policies must be renewed to reflect the new Wilder rental space
- IV. Facilities:
 - a. Phillip:
 - i. Voyager Clean Up Day
 - 1. Saturday, March 28
 - 2. Expecting ~60 volunteers
 - ii. Needed replacements and repairs:
 - 1. Electrical boxes
 - 2. At least 4 HVAC units
 - 3. Miscellaneous roof repairs
 - 4. Will cost ~\$35K
 - a. Want about \$15K in budget to prepare for unexpected fees
 - 5. Can use surplus in June to replace 7 toilets on first floor and blacktop
 - iii. Replace asphalt on blacktop
 - 1. Quotes received: \$18K and \$9K
 - 2. Ideally want ~\$15K
 - a. Project is labor intensive; all materials must be wheelbarrowed in
- V. Governance:
 - a. Autumn:
 - i. Board Recruitment
 - 1. 2 confirmed spaces: Lisa and George are leaving
 - 2. Board can only have 2 parents and 2 teachers

- VI. Site Council:
 - a. Jeff
 - i. Plus/Delta on collected data regarding budget priorities
 - 1. Many priorities were aligned with teacher and family feedback
 - 2. First stage of process finished
 - a. Next step: Review with faculty on Plus/Delta Day and brainstorm solutions

- VII. Old Business
 - a. Jeff changed the effective date on policies
 - i. Last paragraph of Complaint Policy: Paragraph 5
 - b. George:
 - i. Look at the policies before the April meeting for informative collaboration and discussion
 - c. Jeff and George met with 3 members of the Voyager Foundation
 - i. Foundation's nonprofit status is OK
 - 1. Still have IRS liability concerning GET amount

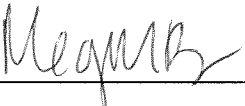
- VIII. New Business
 - a. Jeff:
 - i. Employment Agreement

- IX. Executive Session

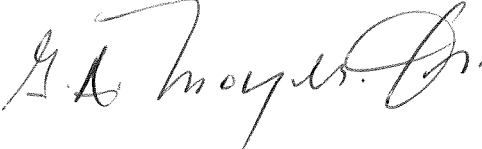
Adjourned 8:15 p.m.

Next meeting is April 9, 5:45 p.m. at Voyager, Room 206.

Respectfully Submitted by:



Meghan Bonnie, Secretary


George Moyer, Chair