

eSchool Governance Board Meeting - Minutes

12/05/2017

East High School

1:30-3:00

Welcome new Gov. Board Member Rachel Knighten

1:30 p.m. Approval of Minutes:

- October Minutes
 - *David Debbink motioned to approve the minutes, Julie Prudom 2nd...Approved Unanimously.*

1:35 p.m. eSchool Teacher Communication

- Open time for teachers to share updates (*as needed*) - None

1:45 pm. Executive Committee Report

- Charter Renewal (current contract expires July 1, 2018).
 - School Model for eSchool
 - Comparison Document
 - Al Brant: Guest speaker
 - *Al Brant talked about the advantages of charters and programs. Al mentioned that he did not see any advantages as a Magnet School at this time. Al asked the question if eSchool is at a point where the future sees eSchool charter sun-setting to adopt eSchool district wide? An advantage of keeping the charter status is the eligibility of charter expansion grant money...upwards of \$500,000. Al also talked about how there may be better buy in from the district as a whole if eSchool was a program rather than a charter to help serve the 80-90% goal. This also brought up the question if the 80-90% goal could be a district goal as well and not just an eSchool goal. Al said he sees some potential for collaboration with the district to help achieve goals.*
 - *The group engaged in a lengthy conversation.*
 - *Paul Painting asked a question about if there are other models of charters leaving charter status to become embedded programs. Al shared that Appleton Central and Odyssey Magellan have both been de-listed as charters and to become a program and magnet school. Over time the definition of charter has changed and has lead those schools to be de-listed.*
 - *David Debbink and Monica Stage shared similar remarks about at this time, doesn't seem like enough time before the charter expires in July 2018 to consider not renewing the charter this coming summer at this moment.*
 - *Billie Sherman talked about where the starts are...what are the interests and that the only reason her daughter knew about eSchool was because of the middle school counselor.*
 - *Julie Prudom added that she believed that for every student that knows of eSchool, another student does not know of eSchool.*
 - *Concluding this conversation, the group agreed it was time to have a conversation with the district. Al Brant recommended meeting with Kevin Steinhilber to start the conversation about the future and possibilities of sun-setting the eSchool charter after the upcoming renewal. The group agreed on that as a next step.*
 - Timeline moving forward: (Where does programs and services fit?)
 - December 2017 - Review & Discuss, Input
 - February 2018 - Recommendation for direction on model for eSchool for vote & Begin charter renewal process
 - March 2018 - Check in on renewal process
 - May 2018 - Recommendation to finalize charter contract for renewal
 - *This timeline is supported by the group.*

- Possible State Charter Grant Opportunities for expansion and replication.
 - Timing?
 - *The group shared that timing seems rushed from the February due date. Makes more sense to consider waiting a year and planning. However, there may be an advantage to being able to qualify for first round; however, without the right goals in place, may not be the right timing.*
- Strategic Goals for 17-18
 - Update on projects - *No update*
- 17-18 Budget
 - *Dave motioned to approve budget as presented, 2nd by Julie Prudom...approved.*
- Update Gov Board Handbook
 - Member additions
 - *Billie Sherman motioned to approve gov board handbook changes, 2nd Julie Prudom...approved.*
- Presidents Meetings Update
 - Common application
 - Open Meetings Policy
 - Work group?
 - *Monica provided a brief update about the common charter application and the future topic of open meetings.*

1:55 p.m. Program Leader Report

- Current Enrollment Chart and update
 - *Current Graph*
 - *Erik showed the trend of enrollments and they continue to progress.*
- Equity Balance Update
 - *Erik shared the equity balance and that we are currently in the positive with the statewide sections.*
- Staffing Model Conversations
 - *No update*
- 2018 Summer Session:
 - Course List
 - First day of class change
 - Waitlist
 - *Erik shared the course list and some updates for the upcoming summer session. For the first time, there will not be a mandatory face to face meeting to start the summer session. The summer session will not start virtually. Erik did share that we will have a check in date with teachers on the third day.*
 - *Paul Painting motioned to approve the summer course list, David Debbink 2nd....approved.*
- Online Course Ready Happenings:
 - Presentations in Las Vegas and Seattle, WA both successes
 - Arizona State IMS Global presentation many not happen as ACT testing is the same days (March 27 & March 28)
 - Possible presentation at IMS Learning Impact Leadership Institute in May instead.
- Happenings: (updates)
 - *Quality Matters Professional Development Course*
 - 8th Grade Night at Kaleidoscope Academy, December 4th 6pm.
 - LMS (Learning Management System) Agilix Buzz - Anticipating new version for fall 2018.
- Meeting dates for 2016-17 school year:
 - Sept 12, 2017
 - Oct. 24, 2017
 - Dec. 5, 2017

- Feb. 6, 2018
- Mar. 6, 2018
- May 8, 2018

Billie Sherman asked about increasing enrollment towards our 80-90% goal. She specifically asked how we could do a better job of working with the high school counselors and the scheduling process. Julie Prudom recommended that eSchool create a slide to share with the high schools to put in their scheduling powerpoint. Billie encouraged us to revisit the marking and communication approach to getting the word out.

2:45 p.m. - Action Items

- October Minutes
- Governing Board Handbook
- 17-18 eSchool Budget
- 2018 Summer Session Course List

Monica Stage motioned to adjourn, Rachel Knighten 2nd...Adjourned.

Attendance: *Monica Stage, Paul Painting, David Debbink, Erik Hanson, Billie Sherman, Rachel Knighten and Al Brant.*