

PLP BOD Closed Meeting Minutes – Date: June 27, 2007

In attendance: John Moloney, Aurora Tudela, Jackie Hayes, Barbara Freund, Anne McIntosh.

By conference cell phone: Kate Alice Dunaway

Guest: Otho Tucker

Administrators: Kari Jolly, Jennifer Gnann

Location: Conference room at Mooresville Public Library, Mooresville

I. PLP BOD resignation

Aurora Tudela announced that she would be resigning from the PLP Board, effective tonight. She will be sending her letter to John shortly. She said she enjoyed being on the Board but had several personal goals she was not able to achieve and would be resigning as a result. John mentioned that we would not have come this far without her and that she kept our financial records impeccable. Barbara mentioned she was saddened that Aurora would be leaving the board. Aurora said she would be helping with the transition to a new treasurer and would assist John in getting paperwork over to Academia Northstar. John also added that he hoped Aurora would continue to lend her Spanish-immersion expertise to PLP; Aurora said that can be discussed. Anne thanked Aurora for her tenure with PLP BOD. Upon the end of this discussion, John escorted Aurora out.

II. Personnel Committee/Teacher candidates.

Otho was pleased with recommending three assistants for hire.

First, Amy Crier- has a DVM (veterinary) background; owns 12 acres of property that incidentally backs up to the permanent PLP site. They are outdoors-type individuals; Otho sees them bringing science into the classroom. Amy Crier is being recommended as an assistant at the 2nd grade level. She wants part-time (20 hours); PLP would not be responsible for benefits.

Second, Joanna Newman- is working to complete her degree in Library Science. She has an avid and extensive background in reading, storytelling, and literature. She is being recommended to be an assistant in the 2nd grade. She wants 20 hours (PLP would not be responsible for benefits).

Third, Maria Heilman is currently an assistant in the public school system; she is looking for a different school where she will not be required to drive a school bus. She hails from Spain and would be a great addition to the K-2 Arts and Spanish Instruction. She has Core Knowledge about Arts and brought tons of work for Otho to see when they interviewed. Her degree is in agriculture.

Kate Alice makes motion that contracts be offered to these three, pending background checks. Jackie seconds. Four for; 1 abstain. Anne expressed concerns that some of these candidates had only be interviewed by a single person, those PLP BOD not on the interview committee have not seen any resumes and no background checks of any type