

Board Meeting Minutes – March 24, 2010

6:00 p.m. in the Upper School seminar room

Board Members in attendance: Chris Perri, John Moloney, Anne McIntosh, Bill Neal, Evelyn Gerdes, Twan Ellison, Cara Jones.

Leadership in attendance: Mark McCurry, Chris Scholl, Amy Sevic, Gloria Miller and Chris Scholl.

Leadership Team absent: Kate Alice Dunaway and Kari Jolly

Board was opened and called to order by John Moloney.

Amy Sevic and Gloria Miller presented the Pride Moments.

John Moloney entertains a motion to approve minutes of February meeting minutes. Twan Ellison seconds. Unanimous approval.

Open Session presented; no speakers.

Briggs Petway presented the 2008-2009 audit report at the finance committee meeting prior to the board general meeting.

Kevin Shannon gives a Capital Campaign Update. We are closing in on 40% of the families participating in pledges. \$900,000 total dollars pledged to date. Chris Perri asks if there is anything they can do; Kevin says "Tell a Friend."

Charter School Funding Conference – John will table until Kari and Kate Alice are available.

John Moloney announces that Senator Goodall will present at the April inforium along with Kate Alice Dunaway. The April Inforium will be held at the Cove.

Head of School Report:

- Twan Ellison thanks Chris Scholl for Curriculum Guide and its information.
- Dr. McIntosh requests information from Chris Scholl and Amy Sevic about NCVPS and the amount of participation from our students. Chris clarifies that it is a free benefit. It does not affect the PLP budget. There are a few Upper School students currently using NCVPS and US families are aware of program.
- Anne McIntosh asks for specifics from Chris Scholl on how he is closing his 10 classroom gap. Chris responds that the school day is being extended by one period, which will open up an additional 13 classrooms for use.
- John Moloney asks when a decision will be made about Buttery and Beanery. Amy Sevic stated after Spring Break.

- Chris Perri asks for update on Kindergarten enrollment. Molly gave an update that we have extended offers to 48 students **who are not siblings of currently enrolled students.**
- Dr. McIntosh asks if surveys are being sent out when students withdraw. Molly confirmed “yes”; **Dr. McIntosh requests that data for future review.**
- Chris Perri asks for more information from Mark McCurry on the research into tablet PC’s. Mark spoke about costs for current tablets and estimates the price will come down. **PLP will not be acquiring tablets for Upper School students at this time, but he continues to monitor prices in the hope that they will fall.**

Board Policy Review Section:

- Cara Jones gives an update that the stake holder survey will be available on April 5, 2010. The questions are both drop down and open ended questions. A sample will be available for Board Review in the next week. She likes the survey because they can tailor it to the Pine Lake community. Anne McIntosh asks if parents with students in multiple schools will be able to differentiate **PLP Administration** on the survey. Cara says yes.
- Chris Perri speaks that we will call a Community Board Meeting. It is to be held once a year. A “State of the Union” address would be given to families **who** attend. On the Agenda will be a parent representative for a one year term. Chris Perri will finalize the agenda and details within the next 2 weeks. Tuesday, June 1, 2010 was set to ensure all EOGs and EOCs are complete. Amy Sevic to get with Kari Jolly to check on Cove Church availability. John requests clarification on when the vote will be held on retaining John and Anne as Board members. Chris states that the vote will take place at the end of the school year per the current by-laws. Twan requests that Chris check to see if the board can vote in April on John and Anne’s tenure.
- School Policy Development and Head Linkage Policies. Twan leads the discussion on level 3 and level 4 linkages.
  - Dr. McIntosh requests more information on level 2 governing styles. She will put together thoughts and send to Board.
  - Twan asks if an attendance policy needed; **Anne affirms that an attendance policy exists currently.**
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  - Self – Evaluation process needs improvement. Twan requests that it be sent out in 24-48 hours of a meeting. More specific questions instead of open ended evaluation. Dr. McIntosh agrees on this time frame.
  - Board job descriptions need to be reviewed and it needs to be confirmed that functions between Board and CEO are being performed correctly.
  - Twan request that all new Board members be made aware that they are required to participate in the Capital Campaigns.
  - Chris Perri requests that we ensure to cover the Charter vs. Bylaws vs. Policy Development.
  - Twan asks that committees be evaluated to make sure they are needed.

Closed Sessions items will be postponed for Kate Alice Dunaway.

Next Board Meeting will be April 28, 2010.

Chris Perri and John Moloney say that they will have a special session to approve budget so plans for 2010-2011 are not delayed. A tentative date was set for April 7, 2010.

Meeting is adjourned.