Cannon River STEM School

Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, September 8th, 2016 7:02 pm Old Main, Den

I. Call to Order

Dante called to order the Board of Directors meeting at 7:05 pm Attendance:

Present – Nalani McCutcheon (Exofficio), Angela Rosendahl, Dante Hummel-Langerfeld, Venessa Kuhlman, Marilyn Bongers, Krista Ahlman Missing – Sandy Larson,

Guests – Deni Buendorf, Cora Packard, Cheryl Wendt, and Kelly Rimple (BKDA)

II. Approval of Agenda and August Minutes

Angela motioned to approve the September Agenda, Marilyn seconded, all approved Vanessa motioned to approve the August Minutes with the addition of Marilyn Bongers as present at the meeting, Angela seconded, all approved

III. Public Comment

Nalani introduced Deni Buendorf as a guest

- IV. Reports
 - a. Finance Committee Report (Nalani/BKDA reps)
 - b. Executive Director's Report (Nalani)
 - 3rd day of school
 - Systems are falling into place, bussing should smooth out mid next week
 - Leadership team is helping things run smoothly in the different buildings and around campus.
 - Lunch ordering system has been bumpy.
 - Aimee Kieffer resigned effective immediately, Friday 9/2 as our Meal Programs Coordinator.
 - Jodi Sjodin resigned and leaves a paraprofessional position open.
 - c. Curriculum Report (Cora)
 - 2 day workshop in August, staff appreciated that time

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- Mapping, ELA, technology and life skills grid
- ID teaching leadership

Field trip planning, resource inventory, special spot, RBNC internship, MAP discussion, Synergy training, SPED conferences to specifically discuss students, MCA score review

Staff workshop DD, CARES, Olweus, Teacher to teacher training, conferences and teacher preparation time.

Upcoming training of Handwriting Without Tears (1st and 2nd grade teachers) and Content without coaching (Cheryl and Cora).

- d. Staff Report (Angela)
 - RC first 6 weeks established, Morning Meeting community building, establishing routines

V. Discussion Items

- a. Curriculum maps as presented in August
- Identify Secretary candidates and discuss filling open Board Term with Deni Buendorf
 - Angela is willing to take on the Secretary roll.

VI. Action Items

- a. Approve Curriculum for ELA
 Marilyn motioned to approve the Curriculum for ELA, Vanessa seconded, all approved
- Elect Deni Buendorf to the Board of Directors
 Angela motioned Deni Buendorf to the Board of Directors, Krista seconded, all approved
- Elect new Secretary of the Board
 Krista motioned to approve Angela Rosendahl as the Secretary of the Board,
 Vanessa seconded, all approved
- d. Approve finance report
 Angela motioned to approve the Curriculum for ELA, Angela seconded, all approved

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