

MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES VOTING November 19, 2015, 6:30 PM

Regular Meeting

Kent Smith, Board President called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

Chuck Crabb, Marilyn Thomas, Sarah Pilacik, Kathleen Drennan, Gina Guarino Buli, Michelle Boyd, Kent Wenger, Anthony Bragoli, Kent Smith, Craig Gibson, Harold Smith, Carol Schaeffer and Peggy LaGarge, Michael Ghar, Eva Marie Swymelar, Daniel Rufo, Martha Stephens, Donna Higgins, Stuart Higgins, Joel Adams, Caroline Adams, Sadhana Ramesh, Nikki Groce, Catherine Wenger, Bayan Toloubadci, Dariush Keyhani, Tanya Keyhani, Heather Lewis, Ava Lewis, Myla Hayes and Betty Lewis.

Opening statements

None.

MINUTES

Review & accept minutes from meeting from October 15, 2015 voting meeting.

Martha moved to approve, Eva seconded. 10-ayes, 0-nays, all in favor. Motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Heather Lewis spoke on the results of the Student Hearings discussed below.

Betty Lewis spoke on the results of the Student Hearings discussed below.

Myla Hayes spoke on the results of the Student Hearings discussed below.

Student speaker spoke on the results of the Student Hearings discussed below.

Student Hearing(s)

Student A, Committee recommended completion of 10 day suspension and no extracurricular activities for the remainder of the school year.

Peggy moved to approve, Martha seconded. 9-ayes, 1-nays (K. Wenger), 0-abstention. Motion carries.

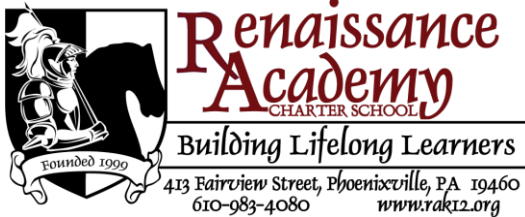
Student B, Committee recommended expulsion for the remainder of this 2015-2016 school year, may reapply for 2016-2017 school year.

Kathleen moved to approve, Chuck seconded. 9-ayes, 0-nays, 1-abstention (E. Swymelar). Motion carries.

COMMITTEES MEETING UPDATES

Development Committee

Chuck discussed Denise's report and the fact that the School is significantly below average in fundraising for similarly situated institutions.



Gina commented on the productivity of the meeting. She went on to discuss targets smaller campaigns and the fact that we will attempt to follow this method go-forward. Gina also provided an update on the progress of the playground.

Curriculum Committee

Dan spoke on status of the Calendar which will be forthcoming. Teachers discussed communication methods to parents and staff, more information to follow. School Performance Profile update by David Cosme will be presented in future meeting.

Building Committee

Diane presented an approval for Applications for Site Work Payments #3 and #4 for a reduction in retainage and parking lot/loop work in the amounts of \$57,983.59 and \$22,969.58 respectively.

Peggy moved to approve, Martha seconded. 10-ayes, 0-nays, all in favor. Motion carries.

Diane presented one (1) change order. Change Order #2 for Perrotto Site Work for landscaping in the amount of \$8,153.17.

Anthony moved to approve, Martha seconded. 10-ayes, 0-nays, all in favor. Motion carries.

Diane present on the current status of the turn-over of the Valley Forge Lease. There is approximately \$13,000 in repairs allegedly required. Diane also discussed the overpayment of rent to the Lessor. The Board authorized Diane to attempt to negotiate a settlement and release related to the Lease Closeout and present to the Board.

Kent provided an update on the discussions with Chester County Conservation District and status with the PA Department of Environmental Protection. Renaissance will attend a meeting with concerned parties.

Kent provided an update on the Declarations of the Condo Association. Kent also discussed the recent Condo Board Meeting related to the temporary fence and the finalization of the permitting process.

Finance Committee

Kent W. presented an update on the current financial status and upcoming budget discussions. Carol updated on current cash flows and the relation to the school year. Lines of Credit and benefits were discussed. Kent provided updates on School Districts and their respective payments and payables. Diane updated on the completion of the Tax Exemption.

Legislative Awareness Committee

Eva discussed a potential letter to the Parents related to the budget crisis. Eva also discussed the meeting of the Committee and the current standstill.

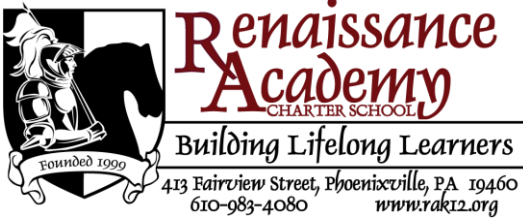
HR Committee

Kathleen discussed the tuition reimbursement program. Kathleen discussed the results of a staff survey on the program. The committee will continue to evaluate and will propose revisions to the Board.

CEO's Report

Gina discussed enrollment numbers and other items relating to her reporting. Additionally, she provided an update on the SLC's and PSSA Testing.

Gina also presented on the Substitute Staffing Company which we have engaged.



Principals' reports

Michelle discussed the Athletic Decathlon Team's hosting of an event. Michelle also discussed upcoming events.

Dean of Students Report

None.

Business Manager's report

Carol presented and discussed the Business Manager's Report.

Anthony moved to approve, Kent W., seconded. 10-ayes, 0-nays, all in favor. Motion carries.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Kent discussed the Dual Credit Scholarship Board Program and adjustment of Board Meeting to accommodate presentations.

Kent discussed a proposed Research Project. It was decided the research should be invited to present at a future meeting.

Carol presented on the recommendations of facilities management companies.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Academy Council presented on events recently completed and ongoing including the establishment of a School Store.

Parent presented on their interpretation of the Board's performance and comments on the updates related to the Budget Crisis.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Anthony, Martha seconded. 10-ayes, 0-nays, all in favor. Motion carries.

Kent S. adjourned the meeting at 8:20PM

Executive Session to Follow – informational on student issue, staff issues.

Minutes prepared by A. Bragoli