

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD
CAROLINA SCHOOL for INQUIRY
RICHLAND COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA
February 20, 2007

Place and Time of Meeting

The regular meeting of the Carolina School for Inquiry Board was held at Carolina School for Inquiry, 7405-A Fairfield Road, Columbia, South Carolina, on Tuesday, February 20th, 2007 at 6:30 pm pursuant to notice having been duly given to the media and to all members of the Board in accordance with the rules of the Board.

Call to Order/Roll Call

The following members were present:

Jeannie P. Eidson, B. Quinton Epps, and Laurie M. Gantt, Mark A. Roberts and Darlene S. Bell, Jonathan L. Moreno, Julie M. Barichivich

Additional attendees: Stacie Mandrell

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the January meeting was made by Mark Roberts and seconded by Darlene Bell. The motion was approved without objection.

Public Comments: None

New Business:

Bill Moser presented the monthly budget report. There was some discussion about SASSI funds not being received. SASSI counts for LD children were not being reported correctly.

Apparently, there was some paperwork that was not filled out, resulting in not getting credit for some of the LD children. Bill Moser advised that the problem was now corrected. Stacie Mandrell will ensure that the special education person checks the input numbers for all past months.

Ms. Mandrell mentioned attendance problems for a few children that may also be affecting the Average Daily Minimum student counts.

Jonathan Moreno motioned to approve the budget report. Julie Baricivich seconded and the motion was approved without objection.

Mark Roberts discussed the teacher survey results. The Board will now summarize the results and present to the teachers.

Stacie Mandrell discussed job posting on the internet and renewing teacher contracts.

It was requested that Victoria Dixon-Mokeaba look at various pay raise increases for faculty including a flat rate increase and keeping with the Richland One pay schedule. The findings will be presented at next board meeting.

Victoria Dixon-Mokeba was asked to approach teachers about renewing their contracts and to secure letters of intents by Friday.

Signed letter of intents are to be presented at the next Board meeting.

Jonathan Moreno moved to authorize Julie to negotiate contract salaries. Mark Roberts seconded and the motion passed without objection.

Mark Roberts suggested a potluck dinner for the Board and faculty to get to know each other better. He also suggested that Chris Richards be approached about organizing a teambuilding/professional development retreat this summer. The suggested location was Hickory Knob State Park. He will ask Mr. Richards to present a proposal to the Board at a future meeting.

Jeannie Eidson presented some ideas about the upcoming dedication to review at a future Board meeting.

Quinton Epps moved to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. Julie Barichivich seconded. The motion carried without objection.

Quinton Epps made a motion that we establish an administrative and curriculum mentoring program with Zach Kelehear and authorized Jeannie Eidson to coordinate. Mark Roberts seconded and the motion passed without objection.

Mark Roberts motioned to adjourn. Quinton Epps seconded and the motion carried without objection.