

Minutes of Meeting of the Board
Carolina School for Inquiry
Richland County, South Carolina
January 15, 2008

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, January 15th 2008 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 meeting was called to order at 6:32pm

The following members were present:

Kathy Duffy-Thomas, Mark A. Roberts, Queen Bonaparte, Jeannie P. Eidson, Darlene S. Bell, and Wilfred G. Rogers.

Additional attendees: Victoria Dixon-Mokeba, Bill Moser, Chris Richards, Jacqueline Boulware

A motion was made by Mark to amend the agenda to include discussion of the evaluation instrument for the Director. The motion was seconded by Queen. Approval of the agenda was made on a motion from Darlene and seconded by Queen.

Approval of the Minutes

Jeannie Eidson moved to approve the minutes of the December 18th 2007 Board meeting. Darlene Bell seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Public Comments:

Chris Richards commented on the switching of instructional duties between him and Melanie in the Upper Elementary classes and how well it is going.

Jacqueline Boulware commented on the effectiveness of Study Island.

Old Business

Bill Moser led the discussion and answered questions on the November and December budgets. A motion was made by Mark and seconded by Wilfred to receive the report of budget.

Discussion was held as to whether or not the budget report could be presented to the full board monthly on a "for information" basis and as an action item on a quarterly basis. If the board approves this format then the bulk of the in depth financial discussions will be held in the budget committee meetings. A motion was made by Jeannie and seconded by Queen to approve this format. The motion passed.

Bill led the discussion on the Audit Report and pointed out the procedures and the deficiencies noted in the report. Special attention was paid to point 3 and the need for a full-time C.P.A.. The report was received as information.

New Business

The following Committees were established:

-Education: Quinton(c), Jeannie, Wilfred, Queen

-Business: Darlene(c), Kathy, Julie

-Facility: Jeannie(c), Queen, Quinton

-Governance: Mark (c), Wilfred, Kathy

The following items were referred to committee; 1) Director's evaluation, plan of evaluation and timeline was sent to Governance committee. The preliminary report is due at the February meeting.

Recruitment

Sample flyers were given out and discussion was held on the Application and Lottery Procedures, community mail-outs, and Informational meetings. The informational meetings are scheduled for January 29th and Thursday February 7th.

Director's Report

Extensive discussion was held on data and testing, emergency plans, and having a nurse on campus.

At 9:35 a motion was made by Darlene and seconded by Queen to go into executive session.

Executive session ended at 9:41pm.

A motion was made by Jeannie and seconded by Mark to adjust the employee salary to the Richland School District 1 scale and provide retro pay. The motion passed unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 9:46pm.