# **Quest Academy**

# Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 13, 2011

Location: Quest Academy, 4862 West 4000 South, West Haven, UT 84401



In Attendance: Toni Christensen, Michele Kersey Smith, Heidi Jex, Penn Bradshaw, Lani Rounds (Principal), Vicki Barlow (Asst. Principal), Brice Mindrum, Dawn Kawaguchi (AW), Sheldon Killpack (AW) and Ryan Smith (AW)

Excused: Brandy Beckman and Robert Blakely

The mission of Quest Academy is to provide students a challenging, technology rich environment, enabling young citizens to become leaders prepared for the challenges of an evolving global community.

## **Minutes**

6:00 p.m. - CALL TO ORDER - Penn Bradshaw

6:02 p.m. Heidi Jex made a motion to go from the open session to a CLOSED SESSION to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease or sale of real property. Michele Kersey Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

6:51 p.m. Heidi Jex made a motion to move out of the closed session back into the open session. Michele Kersey Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Michele Kersey Smith made a motion to approve the CONSENT ITEMS. Brice Mindrum seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- Ratify New Hires
  - Kristy Jones 5<sup>th</sup> grade
- Approve Board Meeting Minutes from August 9, 2011

### BUSINESS ITEMS (To Be Discussed and/or Voted Upon)

- Discuss and Vote on the Concussion and Head Injury Policy Lani stated that even though we don't have football we are mandated by the state to have this in place. Heidi stated this policy is athletic based. There is nothing addressed on getting hurt on the playground and in the classrooms. Dawn mentioned that this was passed through the legislature but they haven't gone through the details of it. They plan on doing that in the next session. Heidi Jex made a motion to approve the concussion and Head Injury Policy as written. Brice Mindrum seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- ➤ <u>Discuss and Vote on (12) SuccessMaker licenses in the amount of \$12,000</u> Lani stated that this is the last of the ARRA money that expires this week. This gives us 24 total licenses that can be in use at one time. Michele Kersey Smith made a motion to approve the purchase of the SuccessMaker licenses in the amount of \$12,000. Heidi Jex seconded the motion. The votes were as follows:

Toni Christensen – Aye Michele Smith – Aye Heidi Jex – Aye Penn Bradshaw – Aye Brice Mindrum – Aye

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▶ <u>Discuss and Vote on the Uniform Policy Revision E</u> – Vicki explained that they are starting up their first Quest Academy student council this year. It will involve 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. To create unity among these leaders, we would like them to wear a distinctive sweater that indicates they are members of the student council. In order to be in compliance with the Uniform Policy, we asked Gabe to put something together to allow them to wear this sweater. Brice Mindrum made a motion to approve the Uniform Policy Revision E. Michele Kersey Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **REPORTS**

#### Board of Directors

- Review 2011-2012 Annual Budget as of August 31, 2011 Brice stated that he got a crash course today from Ryan but would like Ryan to lead the discussion this meeting and will take over starting next month. Ryan stated that the school is doing very well. We have a nice surplus in the bank. Restricted funds from last year have been drawn down and should be coming. Ryan has included an amended column again. Ryan briefly reviewed the budget. There was a brief discussion on how much EduJobs money that is left. Lani requested some additional funds for instructional aides. We will vote on budget amendments after the October 1 count.
- > Parent Organization by Toni Christensen
  - Dress Down Day for canned food went very well
  - Swim Night raised \$1,100 to go towards the playground equipment
  - Fun Run on September 29<sup>th</sup> if we make what we did last year we will be able to purchase the playground equipment and have it installed over Thanksgiving break

## Principal

- <u>AYP Status Change</u> Lani reported that the state came back to tell us that we actually did make it. All of our numbers stayed the same but now our status says "YES". We are very happy.
- <u>Pilot Program Update</u> Lani updated the board on the pilot testing program that is a great model that we wanted to be a part of. They do pre and post testing. Lani went to three meetings and then found out that the cost would be \$12,200 for K-8. Lani told them that our school doesn't have the money for this. She did ask if the state would be funding any of this but they've only talked about it but haven't made a decision. They will be doing a pilot in 4-8th grades through UtahWrite.
- State of the School Vicki Barlow
  - ✓ We're Back! Moving forward and looking ahead for a great year
  - ✓ Mrs. Erni hosted our Summer Reading Celebration
  - ✓ Our first early out day allowed our teachers time for professional learning community meetings where they set goals for the year
  - ✓ Two Dr. Wilcox Assemblies which included writing lessons for all teachers and the book he wrote *Hip, Hip Hooray for Annie McRae!*
  - ✓ The parking lot is running smoothly with all the help from our teachers and staff. We are averaging a 15 minute pick up before the lanes are cleared
  - ✓ We have just begun our Quest for Personal Wellness which allows our staff participants to set and meet personal goals
  - ✓ Additional training by Nicki Slaugh, our new technology instruction coach. Several trainings include "words their way technology style", mimio training and small grade level applicable training

#### There was no PUBLIC COMMENT.

7:28 p.m. Heidi Jex made a motion to ADJOURN. Michele Kersey Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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