



Quest Academy

Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 12, 2013

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

In Attendance: Brice Mindrum (via teleconference), Michele Kersey Smith, Antoinette Christensen, Heidi Jex, Ken Bradshaw

Others in Attendance: Vicki Barlow (Asst. Principal), Dawn Kawaguchi (AW), Gabe Clark (AW)

Excused: Beckie Eastman and Penn Bradshaw

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

6:01 p.m. – CALL TO ORDER – Ken Bradshaw

Heidi Jex made a motion to reconvene as the Quest Academy Board. Michele Kersey Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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

- Approve Board Meeting Minutes from January 8, 2013
- Approve Board Meeting Minutes from February 12, 2013
- Ratify the Acceptance of Lani Rounds Resignation
- Approve Closed Board Meeting Minutes from February 15, 2013
- Accept Closed Board Meeting Affidavit from February 15, 2013

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

- Discuss and Vote 2013-2014 School LAND Trust Plan – Vicki stated that the School LAND Trust is federal money that the school puts together a plan to spend this money. We have been awarded about \$40,000. She briefly explained how they are going to spend that money. **Toni Christensen made a motion to approve the 2013-2014 School LAND Trust Plan. Michele Kersey Smith seconded the motion. The votes were as follows:**
 - Michele Kersey Smith – Aye**
 - Toni Christensen – Aye**
 - Heidi Jex – Aye**
 - Ken Bradshaw – Aye**
 - Brice Mindrum – Abstained from voting due to the fact that his wife sits on the committee (as part of the faculty) that works on the plan.****The motion passes with a majority vote.**

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- Discuss and Vote on 8th Grade Human Sexuality Materials and 5th Grade Maturation Programs – Vicki briefly explained there were changes in the laws last year regarding human sexuality instruction in the classrooms that requires board approval the human sexuality materials that is presented to the students and the state is recommending material that is provided through their Recommended Instructional Material guide through the state of Utah (RIMS). Mrs. Kucharski (8th grade Health) uses the Cycle of Life unit from RIMS. This is what we used last year. Vicki also stated that we intend to use the same materials that we used last year for the 5th grade maturation program which is provided by P&G’s school program. Vicki explained that she sends out a letter to the parents of 5th graders to invite them to come and view a video on maturation with their student. The girls are on one evening and the boys on the next evening. There is no question and answer section because all content must be approved before hand. There was a brief discussion on the changes of the law. **Heidi Jex made a motion to approve the same 8th grade Human Sexuality Materials and 5th Grade Maturation Programs. Toni Christensen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**
- Discuss and Vote on Administrative Internships for next year – Ken Bradshaw would like to table this item until next month. There was no objection from the board.

REPORTS

- **Parent Organization** – Toni Christensen
 - Feb 21: Movie Night was Wreck-It-Ralph at the Cineplex Theatre
 - Feb 22: Dollar Dress Down Day money was donated to Mike and Melanie Leavy family of Roy that lost their house due to fire. The school raised over \$800 and the family was very touched.
 - Feb 22: Read-A-Thon in which each class set aside an hour for reading. POQA was able to raise over \$6,000.
 - March 12: General Membership Meeting where we announced that we are starting nominations for next year’s board
 - March 12: We started our Spring Book Fair in both buildings but we will have Quest merchandise (book bags, lanyards, water bottles and small ram stuffed animals) tomorrow at the Q2 fair. The Spirit Store will continue to sell Quest merchandise on Fridays.
- **Administration**
 - State of the School – Vicki Barlow
 - ✓ Feb 13: Clark Planetarium visited the school and presented an excellent assembly to our upper grades. This presentation tied into the science that the students have been working on in their classes.
 - ✓ Feb 15: Student Council sponsored a “Love to Bowl” activity at Fat Cats. We had a wonderful turnout with the Jr. high.
 - ✓ Feb 15: 6th grade field trip to Clark Planetarium. The students rode the Front Runner.

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- ✓ Feb 15: Sent a team to the Math 180 training to see if this was a program that we want to adopt. We currently use the Read 180 program for our Special Education students. We are looking at implementing this program as well.
- ✓ Feb 20: First National Jr. Honor Society induction ceremony. Penn Bradshaw spoke to the group of “Exceptional Quest Students”. A big “thanks” goes out to Cymberly Erni for agreeing starting this charter of National Jr. Honor Society here at Quest.
- ✓ Feb 21-22: 5th and 8th graders started DWA testing
- ✓ Mar 1: Instructional coaches (Nicki & Suzanne) taught iPad Training part 2. Teachers learned how to share and integrate this technology into their teaching.
- ✓ Feb 28: 4th graders presented the biography wax museum. It was a wonderful and inventive way to convey their biography book reports to their parents and other guests.
- ✓ Formal observations started by Lani and Vicki this month. All teachers have been asked to present a lesson utilizing the iPad in their classroom.
- ✓ Mar 8: Q2 teachers attended an AED training to learn how to use the new defibrillator. We are following up the training with a DVD that the teachers are viewing with the specifics of our school’s device.
- ✓ PTC starts tomorrow. We are expecting a very big turnout.

PUBLIC COMMENT was made by Jamie Jacques.

REPORTS continued

➤ **Board of Directors**

- *Annual Open & Public Meetings Act Training* – Ken explained that he sent out a lengthy email to a concerned parent outlining in the email all of the various aspects of different kinds of Open, Public and Closed Meetings. Ken stated that if the board read the email then the training he has prepared has the same information. He passed out an affirmation of training for each board member to sign that they have read the material as their annual training. **Toni Christensen made a motion to count the email as the formal board training. Heidi Jex seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS (For Discussion Only)

- **Calendaring Items** – Ken Bradshaw
 - Next Meeting April 9, 2013
- *Board Vacancies* – Ken asked if Brice and Michele if they would like to renew their board term for another four years. Ken would like to put this on the agenda as an action item next month.

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Heidi Jex made a motion to leave our PUBLIC MEETING and convene as an EXECUTIVE SESSION for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual(s). Michele Kersey Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Ken Bradshaw stated that the board has reconvened in our PUBLIC MEETING and has left their EXECUTIVE SESSION where in we discussed the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual(s) and nothing else. There were no decisions made in the course of that meeting.

6:32 PM – Heidi Jex made a motion to ADJOURN. Michele Kersey Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

March Action Items:

1. Put on ratification of Michele and Brice to board for another 4 year term – Dawn

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