

Connections Public Charter School

LSB Minutes, May 11, 2015

Kress Building, Cafeteria

Call to Order: Mrs. McClary called the meeting to order at 3:55 pm.

Members Present: Heather McDaniel, Tierney McClary, Amanda Uowolo, Libby Oshiyama and John Thatcher

Members Absent : JoNelle Fukushima, Alvina Kaho'onei and William Thorpe

Other Attendees: Sandy Kelley as recorder

Guests Present:

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Mr. Thatcher to approve the agenda with changes. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Uowolo and passed with consensus.

Approval of Minutes for April 13, 2015 Meeting:

A motion was made by Mrs. McDaniel to accept the minutes from the April 13, 2015 meeting with corrections. The motion was seconded by Ms. Uowolo and approved with consensus.

Public Input:

Seat New Members for remainder of SY 2014-2015 – A community seat is open

Correspondence & Communication:

Mr. Thatcher will present his correspondence in the Administrators report.

Operations Report:

Financial Officers Report:

The Fiscal Officer came once, since the last meeting, to review Purchase Orders, bank statements and petty cash. Evidence is seen in trimming the budget and minimizing expenses. Nothing was found to be inappropriate.

Approval of Operations Statements:

A motion was made by Mrs. McDaniel to accept the April 2015 Operations statement. The motion was seconded by Dr. Oshiyama and passed with consensus.

Business Managers Report:

The 3rd quarter fiscal report to the Hawaii State Charter School Commission (HSCSC) showed net income is in the positive.

Compliance tasks to upload to Epicenter include FTE data, 3rd quarter financials and coming up is the ELL self study and enrollment projections.

DHS licensing tasks are being worked on. The building has been inspected by mechanical, plumbing and building inspectors and items that need to be taken care of are being scheduled.

RFP for vended meals contract is almost done and will be posted soon.

The fiscal officer with the HSCSC office notified management that next years per pupil allocation, if the governor approves, will be \$6520 per student.

Administrators Report

Current enrollment 341

Student Achievement- A time lapsed video was created by one our high school students and a New Zealand student wrote the music track. It can be seen on Adobe.com.

Ember Reichgott Junge will be visiting our school as well as other charters schools on the east side of the island, on the 12th and 13th of May. She is the founding member of the National Charter School Alliance. In honor of the 20th anniversary of chartering, she wrote **Zero Chance of Passage: The Pioneering Charter School Story**, a candid memoir of her challenging journey of pioneering the first charter school law from idea to national movement. The book has won multiple national awards, including 2013 Grand Prize Winner of Writer's Digest Self- Published Book Awards, and Third Grand Prize Winner for Nonfiction Books in the 2013 Next Generation Indie Book Awards (www.ZeroChanceOfPassage.com). She is anxious to hear about Charter Schools in Hawaii.

The enrollment Form that the school wants to use (same form we always have) has not been approved by the HSCSC.

Old Business

Leadership Transition Team Report: The team meets regularly and continues to work with Mr. Thatcher to build skills and knowledge.

New Business:

Approval of New Substitute Teacher(s)

A motion was made by Dr. Oshiyama to add two new substitutes to our preferred sub list. The motion was seconded by Ms. Uowolo and passed with consensus

Next Meetings: June 8, 2015, 12:00 pm
 July 13, 2015

Adjournment: 5:18pm

Respectfully submitted by Sandra Kelley, *Connections Governing Board Recorder*