

Connections Public Charter School
LSB Minutes, January 12, 2015
Kress Building, Cafeteria

Call to Order: Mrs. McClary called the meeting to order at 12:45 pm.

Members Present: Heather McDaniel, Tierney McClary, John Thatcher, Alvina Kaho'onei, Libby Oshiyama, William Thorpe, Amanda Uowolo, and JoNelle Fukushima

Members Absent: none

Other Attendees: Sandy Kelley as recorder

Guests Present: Eric Boyd

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Mrs. McDaniel to approve the agenda with changes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Fukushima and passed with consensus.

Approval of Minutes for December 1, 2014 Meeting:

A motion was made by Mr. Thorpe to accept the minutes from the December 1, 2014 meeting with corrections. The motion was seconded Mrs. Uowolo by and approved with consensus.

Public Input: none

Seat new Members for Remainder of SY 2014-2015: A Community seat is open

Correspondence & Communication:

A letter was received from HGEA regarding negotiating a supplemental agreement. Mrs. McClary will respond to the letter.

Operations Report:

Financial Officers Report:

The Fiscal Officer came twice to review purchase orders and checks written on the First Hawaiian Bank account. No inconsistencies were found. Bank Statements were also reviewed.

Approval of Financial Statements:

A motion was made by Mr. Thatcher to accept the November 2014 financial statement. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kaho'onei and passed with consensus

A motion was made by Mrs. McDaniel to table the approval of the December 2014 until the February meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Fukushima and passed with consensus

Business Managers Report:

HCNP will be holding their administrative review of our school lunch program on Feb 5 and 6. The review will be for the Kress site.

Administrator Report

School enrollment is 342.

Mr. Thatcher stays in touch with the commission meetings. In the legislative session this year, Tom Hutton, Executive Director of the Charter School Commission, wants the law to reflect a change that says any charter that runs into financial difficulties can be shut down immediately. There were 30 applicants for new charters and one has gotten approved.

The 2015-2016 School Calendar was discussed.

A motion was made by Mrs. McDaniel to accept the SY15-16 draft calendar to submit to Lorna Leocadio, the charter school personnel contact at DOE OHR, which states start and end dates for the next school year. The motion was seconded by Ms. Fukushima and passed with consensus.

The second grade teacher has accepted a job in Malaysia and will not be returning after the winter recess. We will fill the space in house for the rest of the school year.

There was a discussion on forming a transition leadership team, to develop a plan in the event that a leadership change is necessary.

A motion was made by Dr. Oshiyama to appoint Heather McDaniel, William Boyd, Cathleen St. George and Sandra Kelley as a leadership transition team. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kaho'onei and passed with consensus.

Old Business

Student Achievement – Mr. Thatcher stated that students who are failing at other schools come here and make huge growth. He went on to say that the kinds of things we are doing and the curriculum we are using are working for these students.

New Business:

Dress Guidelines Clarification – The board discussed dress guidelines, and will inform Grade level Chairs that they will be expected to develop and manage guideline for their grade levels.

Approval of New Substitute Teacher(s)

A motion was made by Mr Thatcher to accept 2 substitutes to be added to the school's preferred list. The motion was seconded by Mrs. McDaniel and approved with consensus.

Next Meeting: February 9, 2015, 3:30 pm

Adjournment: 2:30 pm

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