Connections Public Charter School
Governing Board Minutes
October 10, 2016
Kress Building, 3rd floor, 12:00 pm

Call to Order: Mrs. McClary called the meeting to order at 12:30 pm.

Members Present: Tierney McClary, Heather McDaniel, John Thatcher, William Thorpe, Alvina Kaho'onei

Members Absent: Jonelle Fukushima, Libby Oshiyama, Amanda Uowolo
Other Attendees: none
Guests Present: none

Approval of Agenda:
A motion was made by Ms Kaho'onei to approve the agenda, with changes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Thatcher and passed with consensus.

Approval of Minutes for September 12, 2016 Meeting:
A motion was made by Mr. Thorpe to accept the minutes from the September 12, 2016 meeting with corrections. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kaho'onei and was approved with consensus.

Public Input: none

Correspondence & Communication:

Financial Officer's Report: tabled, due to absence of Financial Officer

Operations Report: Mrs. McDaniel reported that an initial draft of the SY 2017-2018 calendar has been prepared, and input will be sought from staff and administration for edits.

Administrators Report:

- **Current enrollment: 373**
- **Mr. Thatcher reported on the challenges with keeping enough available substitute teachers on our list. There may be some options to increase our list with adequately qualified people.**

A motion was made by Mr. Thatcher to allow substitutes who have less than a degree, contingent on a qualifying interview with an administrator. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kaho'onei and approved with consensus. Mr. Thatcher discussed the difficulties the school has had in having substitutes who are not familiar with the school and who do not agree philosophically.

- **Mr. Thatcher reportred on some challenges with a contract.**

A motion was made by Mr. Thatcher to go into executive session at 12:50 to discuss a contract. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kaho'onei and approved with consensus.
Mr. Thatcher made a motion to go out of Executive Session at 1:05. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kaho'onei and was approved with consensus. No action was taken.

Title I/Student Achievement Report

- **Status of Title I Plans: Some revisions will be required after funding is determined.**
- **Student Achievement: Mr. Thatcher reported on Strive HI report. The Commission will calculate and interpret the scores. In comparing the same grade over two years (ex: third to third), gains were made in Language Arts. Math scores generally went down. However, in comparing the same group of students as they move up, scores show growth. Science scores showed gains in most grades.**

Old Business

- **Kaumana Lease Assignment: Another copy of the Request for Assignment of Lease was submitted on September 26, 2016. The lead agent reviewed all three copies in Mrs. McDaniel's presence and determined them to be in order. We will be notified when they have been considered by the BLNR.**

New Business:

- **Approval of New Substitute Teacher(s):**
  A motion was made by Mr. Thatcher to approve six new substitutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Thorpe and was approved with consensus.
- **Review and Revision of Governing Board Policies:**
  Mrs. McDaniel presented a proposed revision of the Volunteer Policy and Agreement.
  A motion was made by Mr. Thorpe to approve the draft revision of the Volunteer Policy and Agreement, with changes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Thatcher and was approved with consensus.

Next Meeting: November 14, 2016 at 3:30 pm.

Adjournment: 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Heather McDaniel

Connections Governing Board Secretary