



Endeavor Board Meeting Minutes: November 18, 2013

Call to Order:

Lisa Springle called to order a meeting of the ECS Board of Directors at 7:00 pm in Endeavor's multi-purpose room.

Present:

Steve McAdams, Bill Borter, Kevin Myers, Lisa Springle, Margaret Holder, Andy Kristianson, Christian Nechyba and Sarah McConnell. Charlie Kennedy arrived at 7:50.

Foundation / Construction Items

David Clodgo provided the Board with an update on construction. Walls are going up. We should be finished with the first wing in the next day, and may be done with the second wing this week. The extra fill is also being distributed to other builders, as our site work is nearly completed. The hope is that we move it without any cost to us.

Phone box is moved, and additional landscaping has been paid. At this point, we are about \$18,000 over the site contingency of \$55,394. If we do not make changes to the current plans, this should not pose an issue, as all major parts and supplies have been ordered. David also signed Amendments 4 and 5, and these establish that we are on budget at this point. We also believe that we are progressing positively with construction as we head into winter, both on schedule and within budget.

David will still work with Frank and JD Beam to work to save against the contingency for the remaining site work so that we can come in at or under budget. The Board discussed options for encouraging area businesses to remove the excess material. David will follow up over the next month, but we have time through the end of construction.

Christian Nechyba updated the Board on some discussions with field contractors for both soccer and baseball. We are still gathering estimates but have received more promising input from some of the other contractors to whom he has spoken. Formal estimates should be forthcoming this week.

Approval of Prior Minutes:

Kevin Myers moved to approve the meeting minutes as distributed for the October 21, 2013 Board of Directors Meeting. Andy Kristianson seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Director's Update

Carolyn Southard has an offer to join the team as Curriculum Coordinator for Math and Social Studies as of December 5. Steve McAdams moved to formalize her hiring. Lisa Springle seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

There has been tremendous response to the note to parents on our tardiness epidemic. Rates dropped 92% in the days following a letter home.

The school tried to make a claim against the physical property insurance policy for a broken window and it was not covered. Steve will review policies with Andy Kristianson and Margaret Holder.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance with BB&T of \$849,460.15. First Citizens has a reconciliation of ~ \$100 that needs to happen this month prior to full closure.

Bill Borter presented a preliminary analysis of the class size finances for 2014-2015 and beyond. The Board discussed the potential impacts of class sizes of 18 or 19 next year. The Board weighed the benefits of smaller classes versus the risk to budget in a year of transition. Bill Borter will work with Kevin Myers and Margaret Holder to begin to improve the estimated expenses for 2014-2015 in preparation for a Board decision at the December Board of Directors meeting.

Bill has progressed the school credit cards. He will be listed as the administrator, and cards should be issued in the next month. The Board discussed once again the limits and the policy established at past Board meeting and how oversight would work to ensure that there was full understanding amongst the membership.

Admission Policy Discussion

Andy Kristianson discussed the proposed Endeavor Charter School Admission Policy as distributed after last month's meeting (See Attachment A). Andy Kristianson moved that the Board approve the proposal. Margaret Holder seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Steve McAdams will work with the administration to update the lottery form to include the wording on readmission of former students participating in study abroad or parent vocational opportunities as well as siblings of graduates.

New Community Outreach on Lottery

Christian Nechyba discussed the flyer he prepared. Final updates to wording will be made as well as updated graphics. This will be targeted to a series of Wake Forest preschools and other community centers of activity.

Transportation Options for 2014-2015

Charlie Kennedy discussed different school bus options he reviewed with four different companies. The rough estimates range from \$70,000 to \$130,000 per year for bussing from an area near the current school to the new location. Different options exist to have

multiple pick-ups (for example, a pick up in Durham and a location in zip code 27615, and drop at school) but these would involve additional expense.

Charlie will continue to work to finalize some estimates in preparation for the distribution of a parent survey before we track out for the December holiday.

Public Comments:

There were no public comments or questions.

Closed Personnel Sessions

Kevin Myers moved that the Board go into closed session to discuss a personnel issue, in accordance with statute 143.318.11 (a) (6). Lisa Springle seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved and the board moved into closed session at 8:50 pm.

Kevin Myers moved that the Board move to open session. Andy Kristianson seconded. The motion was unanimously approved. The board reconvened in public session at 9:46.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:47 pm.