



Endeavor Board Meeting Minutes: September 16, 2013

Call to Order:

Lisa Springle called to order a meeting of the ECS Board of Directors at 7:08 pm in Endeavor's multi-purpose room.

Present:

Steve McAdams, Sarah McConnell, Bill Borter, Kevin Myers, Andy Kristianson, Lisa Springle and Christian Nechyba.

Foundation / Construction Items

Amy Luciani from Key Project Management introduced Glenn Kistler, who will be managing the project for JD Beam during Frank Highley's illness.

Project is on-schedule, and on budget. The site is cleared, the groundwork is done, and footers have started. First half of November should start the vertical work. Other than some weather cleanup over Labor Day, there have not been issues thus far. Slab work should start in October.

Site is mostly graded, but pipework has not begun. To date, nothing has been seen on the site that leads JD Beam to believe we will see issues, but until end of year (and the underground rough-in's are complete) we will not know for certain that we don't have unseen issues.

David Clodgo had further updates on site work. Work has begun with final grading, including topsoil placement on the soccer field. Interviews have begun for grounds-keeping contracts. Hope is that seeding begins as soon as possible. It will be necessary to screen the topsoil first, and need to have that completed as soon as possible. Christian Nechyba is working through the interviews, and will contact some of the candidates about the cost of this work.

Change orders continue, including those on both sides of the balance sheet. We have eliminated white boards from the budget, with a savings of \$19,000. However, there is a phone box on the site that has to be moved, or the driveway has to be shifted. The quote on shifting the phone box is \$25,000. It is unclear on if the Foundation is liable for this movement or someone else involved with the project, but it is believed that this cost will be borne by either the surveyor or the engineering firm that did the initial site plans.

David also talked through alternative plans for an on-site celebration with the school community. It will continue to be a construction site, and will have architectural stakes until later this year. It is likely to be several months before the site is in a place where we can secure the site and not possibly hamper construction progress. Glenn is committed to working with us on making this happen as soon as possible, but reiterated that this will be a construction site through June 2014, and this will never be risk-free.

Approval of Prior Minutes:

Kevin Myers moved to approve the meeting minutes as distributed for the August 12, 2013 Board of Directors Meeting. Andy Kristianson seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Board of Directors Candidate Interviews:

The Board interviewed both Charlie Kennedy and Justin Alexander for the open Board position. Charlie Kennedy was elected to the three-year term after a paper-ballot vote. Results were as follows: 7 votes for Charlie Kennedy (Steve McAdams, Christian Nechyba, Lisa Springle, Sarah McConnell, Kevin Myers, Margaret Holder, and Andy Kristianson); 1 vote for Justin Alexander (Bill Borter).

Calendar Proposal:

Steve McAdams discussed the proposed calendar for 2014-2015. It includes 10 early release days, an increase over 2013-2014. This is consistent with Wake County and other area charter schools. Steve McAdams moved that the Board approve the calendar. Christian Nechyba seconded. The motion was approved unanimously, with Margaret Holder voting as proxy for Andy Kristianson. The discussion of school hours for the next school year will be discussed at a future Board meeting.

Director's Update

Working on bussing plan with YMCA for next year. Robin Vincent is on-board and working on our reading program. Leann Bove will be returning to work soon. There were some matching-grant funds from SAS and some over-due payments from graduating students that have been deposited.

The Board continued the discussion around transportation to the new location for the 2014-2015 school year. Sarah McConnell will work with Charlie Kennedy and Bill Borter to develop options for a transportation plan proposal for next Board meeting.

Student Enrollment Process Changes

The Board discussed the memo distributed by Joel E. Medley about guidance around Enrollment and Lottery. Kevin Myers and Andy Kristianson will work on updating these processes to include this guidance before our next lottery.

Treasurer's Report:

Currently between the BB&T \$ and First Citizens we have a balance of \$735,327.63. Transition to BB&T should finish this month. Bill will create a policy proposal around a

credit card for use by administration for approved expenses that would be easier without formal P.O.

PAWS has approved an allocation to the school of \$36,533.09 as a donation Endeavor to fulfill their mission of supporting the school. They have drafted a Memorandum of Understanding that demonstrates that the funds are unrestricted and should be used for the educational mission of the school.

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). Margaret Holder seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved with Margaret Holder voting in proxy for Andy Kristianson, and the board moved into closed session at 9:29 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 10:26 pm.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:27 pm.