

BEEHIVE SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

November 11, 2008

Board Members Present: Murat Ozoglu, Kelly Wayment, Murat Citir, Alper Genc

Staff Member Present: Jana Kelsch, Yavuz Durmus

Executive Officer: Frank Erdogan

Public Present: Marie Jess

Call to Order: Mr. Ozoglu called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was patriotically recited.

Approval of Minutes: The September 15, 2008 minutes were read. Mr. Wayment motioned to approve minutes, Mr. Genc seconded motion.

Business:

1. Principal's Report:

Mr. Frank reported that the satellite school application was denied. BSTA is in process of appealing denial. The bond process is an ongoing process which is taking longer than anticipated. Set to close February or March of 2009.

2. Academic Report:

CRT results shows BSTA is above the state average.

DWA shows BSTA above state average in 2007 and 2008.

Iowa State testing results are in. BSTA is above state's average in every department but LA.

UBSCT achievement level is 100%.

As of today: 207 students enrolled

18 students High honor roll, 10%

34 students honor roll, 15%

35 students failing, 15%

BSTA provides extra curricular activities, which include 28 clubs of various sports, technology, social and academic groups; as well as 22 formal tutoring sessions.

Food drive with goal of 1200 cans, but acquiring 1600 cans. Goal met

Harvest Dance, AMSP trip, Planetarium and Body World field trips.

Mr. Citir asked when home visits will be complete. Answer: Before winter break.

Mr. Frank explained that teachers update MagnoXP on a regular basis, this is done for parent satisfaction.

3. PTO Report:

Mr. Wayment reported that at the previous PTO meeting, new board members were elected. The next PTO meeting will be 11/18 at 7pm.

PTO will be conducting the 5K fund raiser again this year.

4. New Fund Raising Activity:

Mr. Frank had a request for a fund raiser: To fund BSTA sign of about 32 letters, have parents purchase a letter for about \$120 per letter.

ACTION: Advertise on Website, Kelly take to next PTO meeting.

5. & 6. Loan Application Procedure and New Loan:

Board discussed the ability of BSTA to obtain a loan. Due to increasing Motion made to approve Mr. Frank and Mr. Ozoglu the ability to accept a loan immediately without first presenting it to the Board. Kelly

questioned for what time period this would be in effect. The Board agreed to allow Mr. Frank and Mr. Ozoglu the ability to obtain immediate loan should one become available, and then revisit issue next meeting, February 10th.

Murat motioned to approve. Kelly seconded. The motion was carried unanimously.

6. New Loan: see above

7. Fiber Optic:

Discussion and explanation of UEN's new fiber optic program. Kelly questioned, if we do not accept the offer at this point, will we lose the opportunity. Mr. Frank: stated that we are in first position to receive this opportunity. Other schools are hanging in the balance waiting for this opportunity. Mr. Frank will attend meeting to learn more about this program. Due to additional monthly fees, Murat motioned to await information from upcoming meeting to decide whether or not to proceed. Mr. Genc seconded motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

8. Electronic Equipment in use during school hours by Students:

Discussion on verbiage currently in student handbook. Kelly motioned to add "cell phones, ipods, MP3 or any other electronic device". Murat seconded. The motion was carried unanimously.

9. BSTA Charter & Terry Figueroa:

Kelly questioned two amendments of the Charter. First, why was the governing board changed from two parent members to one parent member. The reasoning was because it had become hard to find two parents willing at the beginning of the year. Issue tabled to next meeting, February 10th. Second, procedure for hiring the principal. Board decides on principal to hire.

Kelly wanted to discuss why Mrs. Figueroa was terminated. Mrs. Figueroa was not terminated. Her contract was fulfilled by Beehive, just not renewed. Kelly wanted to know why Mrs. Figueroa's evaluations were not formally signed. Historically, Mr. Frank has verbal evaluations with teachers. The evaluations given to Kelly were simply printed off the computer. Kelly would like all evaluations to be printed and formally signed by all parties. Murat agrees to have all evaluations signed in the future. Automatic computer system mistakenly charged Mrs. Figueroa insurance premium. Mr. Durmus has fixed this issue and sent her reimbursement for this mistake. Murat stated evaluation will be signed and clarification of insurance will be clearly stated in teachers' contract.

10. Public Comments:

There were none from the public.

Adjournment: Mr. Wayment motioned to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Genc seconded. The motion was carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: February 10, 2009 at 5:00p.m. This is the second Tuesday in the month of February during the first quarter.