Colorado Springs Charter Academy

Board Meeting Minutes | June 17, 2021

Preliminaries

Call to order: 6:38pm

Members Present: McCrea Andersen, Amanda Duplantis, Gabi Snodgrass, Eric Fedders,

6:38pm

Najah Lamborn, Kobi Chumash

Members Absent: Summer Groubert

Staff/Others Present: Dan Ajamian, Kristen Lange, Amber Davis,

Reading of School Vision & Mission – Eric F.

6:39pm

Public Comments-none

6:40pm

Approval of June Agenda with changes & April Minutes

• Board voted to approve the join June agenda. Vote Passed. 6 yes - 0 no

• Board voted to approve the April Minutes. Vote Passed. 6 yes - 0 no

Reports

Financial Report-Kristen Lange

6:45pm

- Actuals are better than budget expected.
- Fiscal year ends June 30th
- Finance committee meeting to finalize the budget to prepare for approval.
- Meeting scheduled for June 28th to vote in the budget.

Enrollment Update-Kristen Lange

6:53 pm

- Enrollment is sitting at 432 and moving in the right direction.
- More fluctuation is anticipated through the summer months.
- Discussed how to handle classes filling up

School Updates

7:04 pm

- Head of School Update-Dad Ajamian
 - o Reviewed the strategic plan dashboard.
 - Board requested a review of safety protocols and updates that have been instituted over the years.
 - Staff updates
 - o Almost all students able to complete testing for ability grouping.
 - o Placement testing has started.
 - o Welcome Folders will be given to new CSCA students.
 - DIBELS data shared.
 - Possible new org chart structure.
 - PA System quotes came in high.
- Director of Operations Update-Kristen Lange

We kindle enthusiasm to craft bold and effective citizen-scholars.

- o Gathering bids for capital projects
- o Applying for a grant for Air Conditioning
- o Preparing for grant documentation submission
- o Before and After Care-Innovation Learning
- o Playground being built on August 7th.
- o Child Watch Discussion & Vote
 - Board discussed the original need, the breakeven need, and the alternative solutions.
 - Board voted to close child watch. Vote Passed: 4 yes − 1 no -- 1 abstained.
- PTO Representative Amber Davis
 - Working on getting coordinators
 - o PTO meeting scheduled for July.
 - Summer event on July 21st

Board Topics

Board President Report

8:30 pm

- Bacon bill was defeated.
- PPR has gone up 9-10% which is approximately \$9000 per child.
- Given approximately \$300 per student for capital funds.
- Mill Levy brought back to pre-pandemic levels.
- CDE and CSI encouraging in person for learning.
- President main point of contact for questions, comments, and concerns.

Review of Board Committees

8:37 pm

 Reviewed available committees: finance committee, school accountability committee, governance committee, facilities committee (annual meetings), enrollment committee (seasonal), PTO liaison

Board Self Evaluation-SWOT

8:57 pm

• Tabled to review at the next meeting.

Key Points

8:58 pm

- We have been in person since Fall of 2020!
- Good news in funding opportunities.
- Reading improvement in Dibels scores were impressive despite COVID.

Executive Session

HOS Goals - preliminary discussion-Tabled to discuss at the next board meeting.

Adjourn 9:10 pm