HomeTech Charter School

Governing Board Minutes

February 8, 2016

1.0 Opening Business:

* 1. Regular meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m.

Present: Tom Brogden Krista Enos

Michael Ervin Dan Salas

Bobbi Sanders

Absent: Eric Rein

* 1. Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 Mr. Brogden motioned for the approval of the February agenda. Item 5.1 has been moved to follow item 3.0 Budget Update Regarding Certificated Negotiations. Mr. Salas seconded. The board approved.

3.0 Communications/Reports

3.1 No comments or reports from the board.

3.2 Principal’s Report

1.0 Mr. Ervin presented the board with a chart that breaks down monthly enrollment by grade level. There are currently 151 students enrolled.

2.0 Mr. Ervin presented the letter from the Accrediting Commission for Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges that announced HomeTech Charter School as meeting the ACS WASC criteria. HTC was granted a six-year accreditation status with a mid-cycle one-day visit. This letter was also sent to the Paradise Unified School District superintendent. The board would like to have this information put into the papers.

3.0 Adrian Barron and Regina Storey from BCOE presented a cost analysis of the PUSD proposed teacher salary increases on HomeTech Charter School. It was confirmed that HomeTech could handle the proposed increase in teacher salaries. Julie Van Roekel requested that the bargaining unit meet before the board approved the new salary schedule. She expressed an interest in creating several alternate salary schedules to present to the board before the decision is made. The teacher work agreement states that the certificated salary schedule shall not be less than the salary schedule for the Paradise Unified School District. This must be kept in mind when making a new salary schedule.

5.1 Mr. Brogden motioned for item 5.1 Consideration and Approval of New Certificated Salary Schedule be tabled until the March board meeting. This will give staff time to review the salary schedule and make modifications if necessary. Mr. Salas seconded. The board approved.

4.0 Discussion Items

4.1 Mr. Ervin reserved spots for all board members to attend the February 23rd board training. Mr. Ervin will post an open meeting notice.

4.2 Jim Dally declined the position of community member.

4.3 The staff would like to change the school name from HomeTech Charter School to Paradise Charter Academy. Mr. Ervin will look into what it means to change the school name.

5.0 Action Items

5.2 Currently the charter does not include language regarding CALPERS for classified employees. Board approval is required in order to allow classified employees to continue participation in CALPERS. Mr. Salas motioned for the consideration and approval of amending the current charter to include CALPERS as a retirement option. Mrs. Sanders seconded. The board approved.

5.3 Tina Hamm has been actively promoting the S.H.A.R.E.S. program and looks forward to HomeTech starting a rewards program for students. The S.H.A.R.E.S. program has raised around $1160 in the last four years. The rewards program would recognize students who earn at least a 3.5 GPA at the end of each of the three grading periods. A board policy for district/school merit awards was provided to the board members. Mr. Salas motioned for the consideration and approval of the student award program policy. Mrs. Sanders seconded. The board approved.

6.0 Consent Agenda

6.1 Mr. Brogden motioned for the approval of items listed under the consent agenda. Mrs. Enos seconded. The board approved.

7.0 John Gliha from the Paradise Scholarship Foundation was in attendance. Mrs. Enos has been working with the Town of Paradise for the placement of cross walk light-up signs in front of the school, as well as, school zone signs installed. The work begins this week.

8.0 Mr. Ervin will be attending a CCSA Conference the second weekend in March and would like to change the board meeting to March 7th at 3:00 p.m.

Adjourned 4:11 p.m.

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