HomeTech Charter School

Governing Board Minutes

October 10, 2016

1.0 Opening Business:

* 1. Board meeting was called to order at 3:07 p.m.

Present: Tom Brogden Eric Rein

Michael Ervin Ryan Wood

Krista Enos Ashley Walburn

Absent: Dan Salas

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 Item for discussion in closed session in regards to a potential student enrollment.

3.0 No comments from the public regarding closed session.

4.0 Adjourn to closed session at 3:09.

 4.1 Introduced potential student to the board.

5.0 Reconvene to public session at 3:27. Mr. Rein motioned for admittance of student seeking enrollment at HomeTech. Mr. Wood seconded. The board approved. Mr. Ervin will call the student’s mother to discuss enrollment.

6.0 Mr. Wood motioned for the approval of the October agenda. Mr. Brogden requested additional items be added to the agenda: Item 7.3 Encroachment Fee, Item 7.4 Chocolate Fest, Item 7.5 Alarm System and 7.6 iPads Sold. Mr. Rein seconded. The board approved.

7.0 Communications/Reports

7.1 No report from the board.

7.2 Principal’s Report

 1.0 Mr. Ervin presented the board with a chart that breaks down monthly enrollment by grade level. There are currently 138 students enrolled.

 2.0 HomeTech was assigned a number from the Department of Justice enabling staff to go through the fingerprinting process.

 3.0 HomeTech Charter School had its first full audit. Overall the audit was a success. The auditors requested the educator effectiveness funding plan be approved by the board as a separate item from the budget. Mr. Brogden also met with the auditors to address any concerns they might have.

7.3 There is no new information regarding the encroachment fee for special education services. Mr. Ervin will speak with David McCready and Adrian Barron regarding this issue.

7.4 Mr. Wood shared information to the board regarding the Chocolate Fest. No further discussion has occurred with the staff. Rashell Brobst from the Boys and Girls Club informed the board that their board has decided that the Boy’s and Girl’s Club will no longer be participating in the Chocolate Fest. This is due to the fact that only thirty cents out of every dollar goes to the organization. This item will be added to the next staff meeting.

7.5 The staff needs to be made aware of the alarm being set before it is used. Mrs. Reinolds will email the staff informing them that the alarm will be set from now on.

7.6 Ten iPads have been sold to School Tech Supply. Fifteen Chromebooks have been purchased to replace the iPads. Mr. Ervin informed the board that the English 12 class has been a-g approved. The board would like to congratulate Tina Hamm on completing the course. Mr. Ervin also congratulated the dance class for doing an excellent job performing at Johnny Apply Seed Days. The board would like to thank Mrs. Moore, the dance teacher, for representing HomeTech so well.

8.0 Discussion Items

 8.1 Mr. Ervin provided the board with information regarding the educator effectiveness funding plan. HomeTech will focus on area 3 and 4 of the plan. The board would like paraprofessional to be added to the wording in area 3. Mr. Ervin will be attending an APLUS conference this month, which should help with supporting teachers in the independent environment and forming a staff development plan. HomeTech must spend $11,146 before the year 2018 or will loose that money. HomeTech has used some of this money towards the CCSA conference that was attended by four staff members last spring. This will be placed on the November board meeting for approval.

9.0 Action Items

9.1 Rashell Brobst spoke to the board about HomeTech possibly partnering with the Boys and Girls club of Paradise. Rashell provided a floor plan of the available space for lease. There is 8,500 square feet available at 55 cents per sq. ft. This would be about a $600 increase from what HomeTech is currently paying. HUB of Hope would also be partnering with the Boys and Girls club providing counseling for students as well as a laundry room and kitchen. Rashell has made contact with BLITZ build from Chico State hoping to contract through them for the tenant improvements. Construction would start in January and be completed during Spring Break. The Boys and Girls club would handle all maintenance problems, but HomeTech would need to provide their own custodial services. The board shared concerns about the public perception of the school if HomeTech is partnered with HUB of Hope. The board also shared concerns about spending the reserve of $75,000 on building improvements instead of going towards purchasing a building, which is what the money was originally intended for. The board would like to know how long the lease would be and would like to conduct a parent survey to gauge interest. The board will take a tour of the building on October 21st at 3:00. Mr. Brogden motioned for the consideration and approval for HomeTech to explore the possibility of leasing the adjacent facility from the Boys and Girls Club. Mr. Wood seconded. The board approved.

10.0 Consent Agenda

10.1 Mr. Wood motioned for the approval of the items listed on the consent agenda with the suggested corrections being made regarding hourly pay and the amount to be raised by king or queen at the Chocolate Fest. Mrs. Enos seconded. The board approved.

11.0 No items from the public.

12.0 A special board meeting will be held October 21, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.

Adjourned 4:31 p.m.

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