



College Prep in a Small School Environment

PEAK TO PEAK CHARTER SCHOOL

Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 4, 2015, 5:00 PM in the Auditoria

The Peak to Peak community will inspire students to fulfill their academic dreams for college, to develop their creative passions and athletic talents, and to become responsible citizens.

Call to order – Thomas Willetto called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM.

In attendance:

Thomas Willetto
Brad Elliott
Lisa Walther
Elizabeth Gable
Hank Dalton
Sandy Ray
Lisa Sicker

Sam Todd, EDO
Kelly Reeser, EDE
Kyle Mathews, HS Principal
Melissa Christensen, ES Principal

Board Members absent:

Suzanne Ovelman, MS Principal

Also present:

Traci Schoeneweis, John Wilcox, Panda Smith, Sarah Miley, Jennifer Douglass, Alexander Mowery, Kimberly Gannett

Administrative Business

Minutes of 21Jan2015 Meeting approved (7-0)

Kelly Reeser discussed the strategic plan survey, which will be distributed in March.

Public Comments

Traci Schoeneweis thanked all the Assistant Principals for their efforts and help this year stating that they have really made a difference in the efficiency of the school, and are a “joy to work with”.

2015-16 School Calendar

Approved as presented at last meeting (7-0)

Accountability Committee Template

Postponed until the 18 March meeting.

Finance & Budget Committee Update – Q-2

Financial Report and Budget Update

The 2013-14 financial audit report confirm that Peak to Peak is in a strong financial position and is meeting financial KPIs; audit; for construction, CMGC (Construction Management General Contractor) is recommended in preference to Design-Build for management or the campus build out based on the complexity of our project.

Principal Reports

High School (Kyle Mathews): 100% of seniors have applied to college; a number have already received scholarships, early acceptance, and awards; EFC (Expected Family Contribution) for need-based scholarships is larger than most expect.

Elementary School (Melissa Christensen): Nearly 200 combined *hours* of parent/guardian-teacher conferences were held during conference week, meeting with approximately 98% of parent/guardians. Reading: up to this point the focus has centered on time students spend reading appropriately leveled materials. This applies to classroom work, DEAR time, and time at home. Staff is discussing/ considering other ways to encourage additional reading time.

Middle School (Panda Smith, MS Assistant Principal): The pilot Independent Seminar class will become a regular elective offering beginning in the 2015.16 school year. The intention is to continue to target TaG students and tie projects to ALPs plans; however, this class does not exclude IEP, ELL, or creative out of the box thinkers who are highly motivated. This class has been quite successful: projects have included novel writing, programming, engineering, etc. Students presented their project at a Middle School Showcase a few weeks ago. Grade level leaders and the middle school leadership team continue to work to rebrand Access by creating essential questions to guide the lessons and work being done at each grade level. Twenty-one 8th grade students qualified for the BVSD Regional Science Fair. They will compete against other students from the district and be interviewed by judges that work in the science field.

Policies – Update, Review Waivers and Replacements

Lisa Sicker reviewed the process of updating our policies to match those required by BVSD as a part of the contract process. The final items will be approved by the Board at a future meeting.

Friends of Peak to Peak Meeting – Endowment

The Board voted to convene as the Friends of Peak to Peak Board at 6:21 PM to discuss matters related to the Endowment (7-0). See Minutes of the Friends of Peak to Peak Board Meeting of 4Feb2015.

The Peak to Peak Board reconvened at 6:52 PM.

Future Meeting Topics

Accountability Committee Template

Contract update

Succession planning update

Friends of Peak to Peak meeting to approve scholarship policy and related documents.

Executive Session (Contract)

The Board voted to go into Executive Session for discussion of contract matters at 6:57 PM (7-0).

The Executive Session ended at 7:31 PM (7-0).

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 PM. (7-0)

Submitted:

Hank Dalton