

**Discovery Charter School
1100 Camino Biscay
Chula Vista, CA 91910**

Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
Thursday, December 13, 2018
5:30 p.m.
Discovery Charter School Auditorium

MINUTES

I. Opening Procedures

A. Called to Order at 5:31 p.m.

B. Roll Call

- a. Members Present: Rochelle Carroll, Dr. Morgan Appel, Dr. Erin Richison, Vikki Viramontes
- b. Members Absent: Terry McKearney
- c. Others Present: Sandy Du-Song, John Greenwell, Néstor Espinoza, Cecilia Williamson

C. Pledge of Allegiance and Presentation by Discovery Engineering and Experiment Science Fair Winners

Isabella Bonner and Arianna Maziel, the Discovery Science Fair Engineering and Experiment winners, presented their projects. The Board thanked the Discovery students for their presentations. Students received a certificate of recognition and a homework pass.

II. Approve Agenda

Motion: Viramontes Second: Richison Vote: MSCU

III. Approve Minutes from the October 18th, 2018 Special Board and Regular Board Meetings.

Motion: Richison Second: Viramontes Vote: MSCU

IV. Public Comment

A. Items on the Agenda:

- Mr. Bonner thanked teachers and staff for making Discovery a school where his daughter “can flourish.” He also thanked Mrs. Du-Song for her leadership and hard work.
- Mrs. Jaime Peterson thanked everyone who was able to attend the Discovery Science Fair, and those who participated as judges.

B. Items not on the Agenda: There were no public comments for items not on the Agenda.

V. Principal's Report

- Mrs. Du-Song reported the Military Family Assembly and Appreciation Breakfast held November 9th was a tremendous success, with a total of 174 military students and family members attending. Navy veteran Mr. Russell Youngblood was the keynote speaker. He shared his family's own military experiences, which included his daughter Discovery kinder teacher Ms. Kimberly Youngblood.
- Mrs. Du-Song reported that she, Mr. Néstor Espinoza, and Mrs. Ulloa attended an ELPAC Testing training at CVESD and have created a solid plan for the ELPAC testing in February, 2019.
- Mrs. Du-Song shared that a cohort of Associate Principals representing 23 universities from throughout the United States, and from as far away as West Africa, spent the day at Discovery with Mr. Néstor Espinoza as their guide. The visitors were part of the Wallace Foundation, which supports educational leadership in developing strong Principals.
- On November 29th, seven SDCOE administrators visited classrooms at Discovery.
- Mrs. Du-Song shared that administration and teacher representatives have attended the third of seven sessions sponsored by the SDCOE in "Educator Effectiveness and Evaluation" (E3.)
- Also reported on was Discovery's participation in the USMC's Toys for Tots toy drive.

VI. LCAP Addendum

Mrs. Du-Song gave a review of the LCAP Federal Addendum that Mr. Greenwell originally presented at the July 26th, 2018 Board meeting.

VII. Multi-tiered Student Support / Positive School Culture

Mr. Néstor Espinoza reported on Discovery's progress implementing Multi-Tiered Student Support (MTSS) to address the academic, behavior, and socio-emotional needs of students through schoolwide systems of support and interventions.

VIII. Technology Update

Mrs. Du-Song reported that 279 new Lenovo ThinkPad 11e Yoga laptops have been deployed to eleven classrooms, to replace the now six year old Asus T-100s. She gave an overview of the past three years technology needs and purchases, along with information on the future needs to plan and budget for.

IX. Approve 2018-19 LCAP Federal Addendum

Motion: Richison

Second: Appel

Vote: MSCU

X. Approve travel to "NGSS Three Day Academy" at the San Diego County Office of Education

Location: San Diego, CA

Dates: February 12th, 13th, & 21st, 2019

Funding Source: Title II

Rationale: Deepen understanding of instructional shifts and dimensions of NGSS, grade-level Performance Expectations, and recently adopted California Science Framework. Acquire knowledge on developing phenomena-based conceptual storylines for planning three-dimensional instructional units.

Cost: Registration cost is \$150.00 per attendee. Two participants will attend, one administrator and one resource teacher, not to exceed \$300.00

Motion: Richison

Second: Appel

Vote: MSCU

XI. Approve travel to “Threat Assessment Training” at the San Diego County Office of Education

Location: San Diego, CA

Date: January 18, 2019

Funding Source: Title II

Rationale: Workshop will review practical, site based approach for conducting thorough, accurate assessment of student threats of violence. Documentation and follow-up support, and district/site protocols will be also be covered.

Cost: Registration cost is \$60.00 per attendee. Two administrators will attend, not to exceed \$120.00

Motion: Appel

Second: Richison

Vote: MSCU

XII. Board Communications

Mrs. Viramontes said it was great to see how far students were able to take their science projects for the Science Fair, saying they were “in-depth and thoughtful.” Mrs. Viramontes also shared she is looking forward to the information Mrs. Du-Song brings back from the Three-Day NGSS Academy.

Dr. Apell said that structurally, Discovery staff, students, and leadership keep “setting the bar ever higher,” and that this has been an amazing year. He thanked the school for his new Discovery sweatshirt, and wished everyone a very happy holidays.

Dr. Richison recognized Board chairperson Mrs. Carroll for completing thirty years of service with CVESD. She said she is honored to sit on the Discovery Board, and to attend the school as a family. Dr. Richison also shared that watching the “two young women present their science projects made her heart sing.” She wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Mrs. Carroll echoed the other Board members comments about all “the great things we are doing at Discovery.” She said she is, “very honored to work with this Board and community.” She wished everyone an enjoyable, well-deserved break.

FULL BOARD CLOSED SESSION

XIII. Recess to Closed Session – Principal’s Office

President Carroll recessed to Closed Session at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of:

A. CONFERENCE NEGOTIATIONS

Agency Designated Representatives: Sandy Du-Song, Principal
Jim Young, Discovery Attorney

Employee Organization: Discovery Charter School Teachers Union

FULL BOARD OPEN SESSION

XIV. Reconvene to Open Session – Discovery Charter School Auditorium
President Carroll reconvened to Open Session at 7:10 p.m.

A. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Mrs. Carroll reported there was nothing to report, and no action was taken.

XV. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Motion: Apell

Second: Viramontes

Vote: MSCU

The next Regular Meeting of the Discovery Charter School Board of Directors will be in the Discovery Auditorium on Thursday, January 24th, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Rochelle Carroll, Board President

Cecilia Williamson, Secretary