

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

Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
Thursday, October 18, 2018
5:30 p.m.
Discovery Charter School Auditorium

MINUTES

I. Opening Procedures

A. Called to Order at 5:35 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 Students and Malashock Dance Fine Arts Program

Students from the sixth grade gave a demonstration of the “Math in Motion” dance instruction from the Fine Arts rotations with the Malashock Dance curriculum. Malashock’s educational outreach director Thom Dancy explained how the curriculum supports auditory visual learning and greater access to mathematical concepts. The Board thanked the Discovery students and Thom Dancy for their presentation. Students received a certificate of recognition and a homework pass.

II. Approve Agenda

Motion: Appel

Second: Richison

Vote: MSCU

III. Approve Minutes from the September 13th, 2018 Regular Meeting.

Motion: Richison

Second: Appel

Vote: MSCU

IV. Public Comment

A. Items on the Agenda: There were no public comments for items on the Agenda.

B. Items not on the Agenda:

- Ms. McKayla Carpenter-Robinson invited the Board and audience to the Discovery Science Fair, November 15th, 2018, 4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. She also invited those who are interested to be a science fair judge.

V. Principal's Report

- Mrs. Du-Song advised the Board of the PTC's invitation to the Fall Carnival, Saturday 10-27-18, 1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
- Mrs. Du-Song reported on the PTC's family nights at Nuyo Yogurt on 9-19-18 and and Mango Mango on 10-10-18.
- Mrs. Du-Song thanked the 5th graders and their teachers for their Beach Cleanup at Silver Strand on 9-19-18.
- Also on 9-19-18, Mrs. Du-Song shared the California Dairy Council provided a schoolwide assembly with their Mobile Dairy and cow.
- The PTC sponsored the Scholastic Book Fair during Parent Conferences Sept. 13th-21st, 2018. Mrs. Fawver was the chairperson, and reported the Book Fair generated \$14,000 in sales. Mrs. Du-Song shared that Dr. Escobedo stopped by and purchased a STEAM kit for a student donation.
- Mrs. Du-Song shared that during the first two weeks of 2nd quarter, she provided teachers with a "Take 5" break with snack while she covered their classrooms.
- Mrs. Du-Song thanked Dr. Appel for his "Technology Minefield" presentation to GATE families on 10-10-18.
- Auditions will start soon for this year's Drama Club production, "Junie B. Jones, Jr."
- "Dragon Walks" have started for all classrooms. Dragon Walks take students by classroom to various locations around campus for the purpose of teaching what behavior is expected.
- Mrs. Du-Song reported all teachers and administrators are reading and discussing Michael McDowell's book *Rigorous PBL by Design*.
- Mrs. Du-Song shared that administration and teacher representatives attended the first of seven sessions sponsored by the SDCOE in "Educator Effectiveness and Evaluation" (E3.)

VI. Budget: Unaudited Actuals Report

Mrs. Williamson reported the Unrestricted Unaudited Actuals Revenue and Expenditures for 2017-18.

VII. Data Report

Mrs. Du-Song reported on student achievement data from both the CAASPP and Local Measures 2017-18 assessment period. Data was compared by grade level and by cohort from 2017-18 and the two years prior.

VIII. ELPAC Report

Mr. Néstor Espinoza reported on Discovery EL students and their achievement progress. He reported on the weekly grade level horizontal and vertical collaboration and data analysis with administration to plan for students using the new ELD standards, and for STEAM and Project Based Learning. Each K-8 EL student's data and individual narrative is considered and discussed. Mr. Espinoza also presented a comparative of CELDT and ELPAC assessments.

IX. Comprehensive School Safety Plan

Mr. John Greenwell presented Discovery's updated Comprehensive School Safety Plan (CSSP.) Mr. Greenwell reviewed the updated portions of the plan and newly incorporated requirements. Student supports being implemented for a safe and healthy school were shared, which include Multi-Tier Support System (MTSS) and Restorative Practice.

X. Board Communication

Dr. Appel said he wanted to thank everyone for the "amazing" afternoon school walkthrough the Board experienced. Seeing everything in action allowed him to see the "scope, scale, and depth of efforts made every day" in Discovery's program. He said it's an "amazing holistic approach in both the curriculum and delivery" and it's what "makes Discovery unique and special."

Dr. Richison thanked teachers for allowing the Board to visit their classrooms during the afternoon, and that she had "a great time." She thanked administration for their supervision of the morning and afternoon traffic, noting that it is "much better." Dr. Richison also shared that, as a parent, she appreciated the new report card process during the first quarter conferences, and that she heard her son's strengths being mentioned to her.

Mrs. Viramontes also expressed her appreciation for the afternoon classroom walkthrough, saying the experience was "absolutely amazing" and "eye opening." She said as a parent, she always feels welcome on campus, and that is "huge" for her.

Mrs. Carroll thanked everyone for the "exceptional day" the Board experienced. She also thanked everyone for all the preparation, saying it helped the Board get the "big picture" of what is happening at Discovery. Mrs. Carroll also thanked teachers for allowing the Board to visit their classroom. Mrs. Carroll thanked Mr. Greenwell and Mr. Espinoza for their presentations, and also thanked Mrs. Du-Song for her thorough student data report.

XI. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Motion: Viramontes

Second: Appel

Vote: MSCU

The next Regular Meeting of the Discovery Charter School Board of Directors will be in the Discovery Auditorium on Thursday, November 8th, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Rochelle Carroll, Board President

Cecilia Williamson, Secretary