

FEASTER CHARTER SCHOOL

FEASTER CHARTER BOARD

Wednesday – July 26, 2017

4:30 p.m.

Room 401

MINUTES

*Public Oral Communication on Items Not Listed on Agenda
(3 minutes maximum per speaker, 15 minutes total)

I. Preliminary

A. Call to Order

B. Roll Call

	Present	Absent
Melina Hernandez	_____	___x___
Laura Humphreys	___x___	_____
Sue Lake	___x___	_____
Ashley Lopez	___x___	_____
Bertha Lopez	___x___	_____
Bryan Mays	___x___	_____
Heather Walker	___x___	_____
Roel Mislan (Alternate)	___x___	_____

C. Approval of Minutes - May 23, 2017 Meeting

Motion: S. Lake

Second: B. Mays

Vote: L. Humphreys, A. Lopez, B. Lopez, H. Walker, R. Mislan

II. Communications

A. *Oral Communications: Community

Community member Mario Liclican spoke about the need to promote accelerated education and his petition to have his daughter skip a grade level. He shared his disappointment in the school's decision to denied his petition.

Community member Freda Hernandez spoke about the need to reduce the amount of homework given as part of the DI program. She also thank the school for improving the communication and announcements that go out to the parents.

B. For Information Only: Executive Director, Francisco J Velasco

Mr. Velasco shared how successful the beginning of the 2017-2018 school was. He thank the custodians, office staff and admin team for being so prepared and spending countless hours of preparation. We currently have 1,238 students in TK-8th grade. Four teachers and three Aides were hired. We still have the need to hire a full time Registered Nurse. More information on that will be provided on the next Board meeting.

C. For Information Only:

Principals, Stephanie Dominguez – VAPA
Sarah Motsinger - STEM
Angelica Sleiman – STEAM

Mrs. Motsinger shared: On staffing, we have a new teacher in Kindergarten. Our staff kickoff event was focused on developing strengths based on Strengthfinder 2.0. Our back to School Night is scheduled for Thursday July 28 4-6, with club fair and classrooms visits. PTO, DAC/DELAC elections will begin August 3-4. Professional Development for the year will be focused around NGSS standards.

Mrs. Dominguez shared: Great start to the beginning of the year. All open positions have been filled. We have two new hires for VAPA Daniela Olocco in 6th grade and Lina Martinico in our 3rd grade Spanish DI Class. The Adjustments made in upper grade DI have been great. We moved a veteran teacher to teach the 4/5 combo. We have also added additional opportunities for Spanish through an elective and after-school club. And finally, a group of 5-8th grade teachers will attend AVID next week.

Mrs. Sleiman shared: Our specials department has been rebranded into Mindlabs. As part of the rebranding, we have included the World of Work which teaches students to aspire to a career they did not know existed. The thrively assessment was taken by all of our students in 4-8th grade, so that students understand their strengths, interests and career values more in depth. Our mindlab afterschool clubs will begin on July 31st. We have over 20 clubs to offer, some catered to lower grade and others to upper grade. Our first JupiterEd workshop will be given during back to school night. A few more workshops will be offered throughout Quarter 1. It is mandatory for our middle school parents to attend so they know how to access student grades.

D. For Information Only:

Finance Director, Reginald DePass

Mr. DePass shared: Feaster has a maintenance agreement with Field Turf (Easy Turf Co.) to maintain all artificial turf areas (Kinder, 6th grade, Middle School, Main Playground on the campus twice a year. Each maintenance visit will cost \$1,250.00. The first maintenance is scheduled for September 18, 2017 with the second maintenance to take place during Spring Break. Year End Financial Actuals will be published around August 15, 2017. We should see a carryover balance somewhere between \$2MM & \$3MM. That report will be presented at the September meeting. The 2017-2018 Funding selection for (Title I, Title II and Title III) was submitted to CDE on June 20, 2017 through Consolidated Application Report System (CARS). A copy of the file submitted was given to the Governance Board for their files. This report details how Federal Funds were spent during the 15-16 and 16-17 school years and which Federal Funds we are applying for in the 17-18 school year.

III. Action Items:

- A. Approval of the Feaster Educational Field Trip to China (EduAbroad Exchange Student Program), which will include six students, two teachers and two administrators. Trip is set for August 16-24. Trip expenses for visas, transportation to L.A. Airport and any other minor incidentals will be paid through the Feaster's EduAbroad Student Exchange Account (951) which currently has a balance of \$9,700.00. These funds were donated to Feaster by EduAbroad in support of the Student Exchange Program.

Fiscal Impact: Not to Exceed \$5,000

Staff Recommendation: To approve the Feaster Charter Educational Field Trip (EduAbroad Exchange Student Program) to China for six students, two teachers, and two administrators.

Motion: L. Humphreys

Second: R. Mislan

Vote: S. Lake, A. Lopez, B. Lopez, R. Sandoval, H. Walker

IV. Items Scheduled for Information

- A. Technology Update – Mr. Mislan gave a brief report on the 850 iPads purchased and all of the work done to have them ready for the beginning of the school year.

V. Board Items

- A. Feaster Charter Board Elections – The election process began already. Flyers went home on July 21 for the parent representative. Also, the announcement for the Community Representative was posted on the website and on Facebook. Election committee will be formed and counting of the ballots will occur the week of the August 28.
- B. Charter Board Training - Will have to wait for the new Board members to be elected, then seek available dates to conduct the training.
- C. Charter Board Meeting Dates for the 2017-2018 School Year – Will wait until new Board members get elected. Next Board meeting is set for September 6 at 4:30 p.m.
- D. Topics to be discussed at next Board meeting: Report on the experiences by the students and teachers going to China. Also, discussion on Dual Immersion issues.

VI. Adjournment

Motion: A. Lopez

Second: L. Humphreys

Vote: R. Mislan, S. Lake, B. Lopez, R. Sandoval, H. Walker

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