



Meeting Minutes of the Board of Directors

Denver Language School

April 23, 2014

6:00 pm

Location: DLS Cafeteria

Voting board members in attendance:

Ryan Hunter
Camilla Modesitt
HuiLiang Liu
Kenneth Ho
Jacob Welp
Dan Baack

Call to Order

Board Procedural Votes:

Kenneth made the motion to approve the March 26th Board Meeting Minutes. HuiLang seconded. All present favored.

Language Policy Discussion: presented by Ryan

DLS needs a policy as part of the admission process, which will guarantee the language proficiency of incoming students in grades 2-8. Policy was drafted by Kristy (not present) and presented to the Board by Ryan. It still requires DPS approval, but the Board approved it as written subject to DPS approval.

Jacob made the motion to approve the Language Policy and Dan seconded. All present favored.

Head of School Search: presented by Ryan

Brief discussion regarding the on-going Head of School search, including selection of board members for next year and curriculum in the target language.

Financials: presented by Jacob

Summary:

- \$118,000 in the contingency fund
- Overrun of \$34,000 in consultant services, due to Fun Club and Carla
- Money available in Books & Periodicals to spend
- Facility Budget – we are waiting for final 2014-2015 enrollment numbers before committing money to expenditures such as heat mitigation and/or dividing walls
- PTO allocated money to a literary specialist but is about 20k short to fund the position
- For FY 15, DLS is projecting 600 kids; DPS is funding 521.
- Should we raise the pp activity fee from \$100?

Leadership Update: presented by Nancy MacDonnell

Things are good; contracts will be distributed to teachers tomorrow.

Search Committee Update: presented by Dan

Dan presented the agenda for the candidates coming to see and interview at DLS. Noted that all the background checks were done and reference calls were almost completed. Board agreed to a meeting on 4/30 to vote on candidates.

SAC Update: presented by Dan

Next meeting will be May 5, 2014. DLS needs to get more than 50% of parent satisfaction surveys for the DPS scorecard. Greater than 80% is ideal.

PTA Report:

- Upcoming fundraisers – prom and teacher's lounge