# Taylor's Crossing Public Charter School Board Regular Meeting Minutes 10-14-2015

Those in attendance: Superintendent Wendt, Financial Director Toop, Board Clerk Sterzick

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

## II. PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Board Treasurer J. Taylor

## III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone participated in the Pledge

#### IV. TCPCS SLOGAN

The slogan was read by Superintendent Wendt

## V. ROLL CALL

Board Chairman Cardon	Present
Board Vice-Chairman Gruwell	Present
Board Treasurer J. Taylor	Present
Board Secretary Radford	Present
Board Member C. Taylor	Excused
Board Member Montgomery	Present

## VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Treasurer J. Taylor to accept the agenda. The motion was seconded by Board Vice-Chairman Gruwell. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

## VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Treasurer J. Taylor to accept the minutes for the meetings held September 09, 2015. The motion was seconded by Board Member Montgomery. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

## VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Teresa Kolsen introduced herself to the Board as the new TCPCS Special Education Teacher. Ms. Kolsen had a desire to observe a Board meeting and remained throughout the meeting.

## IX. CONSENT AGENDA

#### 1. Pay Bills

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Vice-Chairman Gruwell to accept Consent Agenda: Pay Bills. The motion was seconded by Board Secretary Radford. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

#### 2. Accept resignation of Ms. Kaufman

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Member Montgomery to accept the resignation of Ms. Kaufman. The motion was seconded by Board Vice-Chairman Gruwell. A short discussion was held regarding the resignation letter. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

## X. PRESENTATION ITEMS

#### 1. Student Body Report

No Student Body Report was given.

## 2. PFA Report

- PFA President Capener reported on preparations for the Halloween carnival which will be held October 28th. The PFA needs help serving food.
- The Book Fair will be held November 3<sup>rd</sup> through the 5<sup>th</sup>. It is being held in conjunction with Parent Teacher meetings which will be held November 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.
- In November, the Paramount will be selling cards for movies at TCPCS. Each card will cost \$20.00, TCPCS will retain \$10.00 for each card sold.
- The PFA is working on donating another bike rack in the spring.
- A Science Fair or School Fair has been requested by a parent.

## XI. <u>DISCUSSION ITEMS</u>

#### 1. Superintendent Report by Superintendent Wendt

- a. Superintendent Wendt announced that a Science Fair will be held in March, 2016, the Friday prior to the Spring Fund raiser.
  - As a part of their curriculum, students in grades 7 and 9 will be required to participate and will prepare a Science Fair report.
  - All students in the Elementary grades may participate.
  - Volunteers will be asked to assist.
- b. There will be teacher training the Thursday and Friday before Fall Break. A presenter from Texas will address the Elementary teachers. A presenter from Washington will address the Jr. High and High School teachers. On Friday, Angie Godfrey, a math specialist will be the presenter.
- c. Teachers will received additional training on Martin Luther Day.
- d. A discussion was held regarding High School Math. The administration is looking for a qualified math teacher for the program.
- e. Superintendent Wendt introduced Ms. Bohrer who then presented her History through Film and Literature Syllabus. The course will present media which will help build a savvy consumer. The students will be able to see a perspective through another person's eyes and

it will also help the students develop their writing skills. TCPCS has Clear Play which will edit any unwanted language.

d. Superintendent Wendt reported on Student cell phone usage in classrooms. Students in the Spanish class are able to call a special number for quizzes. In other classes, cell phones are used as calculators. Sixty percent of the students have cell phones. Those without a cell phone have been able to share a cell with another student. The inappropriate use of cell phones has gone down, however, the program is still a trial program.

## 2. Open Board Seat

At the beginning of the Board meeting, an application for the open seat was received. As discussed in the Work meeting, Superintendent Wendt will contact those parents who have expressed an interest in submitting an application.

## XII. ACTION ITEMS

## 1. 2015-2016 1st Interim Budget Report

Will the Board approve the 2015-2016 1st Interim Budget Report?

Financial Director Toop presented the report and led a discussion with the Board.

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Treasurer J. Taylor to approve the 2015-2016 1st Interim Budget Report. The motion was seconded by Board Member Montgomery. Further discussion was held and questions were answered. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

#### 2. 2014-2015 Annual I-Farms Report

Will the Board approve the Annual I-Farms Report?

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Treasurer J. Taylor to approve the 2014-2015 Annual I-Farms Report. The motion was seconded by Board Vice-Chairman Gruwell. A discussion was held with Financial Director Toop. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

#### 3. 2014-2015 Audit Report

Will the Board accept the 2014-2015 Annual Audit Report prepared by Quest CPAs?

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Treasurer J. Taylor to approve the 2014-2015 Audit Report. The motion was seconded by Board Vice-Chairman Gruwell. A discussion was held with Financial Director Toop. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

#### 4. Teaching Contract

Will the Board approve the 2015-2016 Teaching Contract for Mary Meyer?

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Secretary Radford to approve the 2015-2016 Teaching Contract for Mary Meyer. The motion was seconded by Board Vice-Chairman Gruwell. A discussion was held with Superintendent Wendt regarding Ms. Meyer's certification. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

## 5. Leadership Stipends

Will the Board approve the Leadership Stipends as prepared by Superintendent Wendt?

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Secretary Radford to approve the Leadership Stipends. The motion was seconded by Board Member Montgomery. Superintendent Wendt discussed the individuals receiving stipends. The individuals were selected by a committee and it was suggested that they be recognized on the school website. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

#### **6.** Homeless Policy

Will the Board approve the Homeless Policy?

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Vice-Chairman Gruwell to approve the Homeless Policy. The motion was seconded by Board Treasurer J. Taylor. A discussion was held confirming that the new policy (#3065) will replace the former policy (#3060). Vote was unanimous, Motion carried.

#### 7. High School Mathematics Teacher

Will the Board acknowledge the need of a High School Mathematics Teacher?

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Vice-Chairman Gruwell to acknowledge the need of a Mathematics Teacher for High School Mathematics. The motion was seconded by Board Member Montgomery. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

## XIII. SCHOOL CALENDAR

- 10-27-15 Staff Flu Vaccine
- 10-28-15 Fall picture retakes
- 11-11-15 Veterans' Day assembly; 1:30-2:00 p.m.
- 11-23-15 through 11-27-15 Thanksgiving Break

#### **BOARD CALENDAR**

- 11-04-15 3:15 p.m. Agenda Planning Meeting
- 11-18-15 6:00 p.m. Work Session; 7:00 p.m. Board Meeting

#### XIV. PENDING TOPICS

School safety plan

## XV. REVIEW OF ASSIGNMENTS GIVEN IN THIS MEETING

Reimbursement for Fall Training sessions – Superintendent Wendt Reimbursement for ISBA Training in January – Superintendent Wendt

#### XVI. <u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u>

Idaho Code 74-206(1)(f) Legal update MOTION: A motion was made by Board Treasurer J. Taylor to move into Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206(1)(f). Board Member Montgomery seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Executive Session began at 8:46 p.m.

#### Roll Call:

Board Chairman CardonPresentBoard Vice-Chairman GruwellPresentBoard Treasurer J. TaylorPresentBoard Secretary RadfordPresentBoard Member C. TaylorExcusedBoard Member MontgomeryPresent

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Treasurer J. Taylor to move out of Executive Session. Board Vice-Chairman Gruwell seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Executive Session ended at 8:53 p.m.

## XVII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Member Montgomery to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Vice-Chairman Gruwell. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

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