

Fox West Academy Governance Council Meeting
Monday April 4, 2011
6:00 p.m.
Hortonville Middle School Library E120

AGENDA

1. Call to order and roll call
 - Council Members:
 - Barry Hoff
 - Zola Nimmer
 - Tori Mann
 - Kristi Compton
 - Jenni Koenecke
 - Kip Wenninger (excused absence)
 - Denise Nelson
 - Committee Leads - Anne Walker, Lorie Claybaugh, Stephanie Halverson, and Jean Wagner
 - Teaching Staff/Admin. Advisor – Greg Hall, John Brattlund,

2. Affirmation of public notice
 - A. Notice of the meeting was posted at the Greenville Elementary, Greenville Middle, Hortonville Elementary, Hortonville Middle, Hortonville High schools, Hortonville Public Library, and the Fox West Academy website (www.foxwestacademy.org). Notice of the meeting was sent to the Appleton Post-Crescent, Post-Crescent West and County Post East.

3. Review and approve minutes of March 7, 2011 – approved, no changes

4. Review financial status
 - A. Business Office financial summary – Greg reviewed current financial status. Tracking as planned.
 - B. Approval of Vouchers – none this month

5. Presentations by District residents / Comments from Public -none

6. Executive Committee Reports
 - A. Review of enrollment presentation to HASD Board on March 14 –Barry shared an update of the discussion. A council recommendation is to follow up with a summary of a demographic break out. Barry to coordinate completion of this summary.
 - B. Review final version of Bylaws - no changes recommended.
 - C. Motion to Approve Bylaws - motion approved by vote.
 - D. Other

7. Charter Staff Reports
 - A. Review final enrollment status, including plans for release of class lists

- Discussion of potential budget impacts to class sizes was initiated. Additional information on budget impacts is needed. Will be discussed further at May council meeting.
- B. School design planning update
 - Lockers and other storage space – reviewed the proposed plan for half lockers to be located in the back hallway to accommodate student locker needs.
 - Review use of grant money for class room prep and infrastructure
 - C. Review draft of implementation grant –Greg overviewed the sections of the grant and the status of the draft. Committees are requested to submit budget suggestions. Three letters of references are also needed – two are planned and Jean Wagner offered to write the third one. Requested feedback on the draft be sent to Greg by Monday 4/11/11. Completed grant application needs to be received by the DPI by 4/15/11.
 - D. Updates from DPI – Greg reviewed the report from the DPI Contract Reviewer from their review of the FWA contract. The review was a required step with the DPI and the overall grant recipient process. Greg will follow up at the WCSA conference to get clarification on action needed.
 - E. Review latest information and attendance plans for WCSA Conference – Greg shared the conference agenda and logistical items.
 - F. Other
8. Professional Development Opportunities / Equipment Purchases
 - A. Review latest information for approved trips – no updates.
 - B. Discussion of new opportunities – STEM conference in the Dells coming up. Greg to send information by email.
 - C. Equipment – Jenni exploring aquaponics farming that was demonstrated at a science conference.
 9. Committee Reports
 - A. Marketing and Public Relations –drafted a budget list to be considered for the grant. Scheduling a committee meeting to progress plans for logo development.
 - B. Innovations and Development – explored the Energy Center at Point Beach plant to preview potential programs for middle school age. Discussed need for use of a laptop for ISTE related work (including ISTE conference).
 - C. Curriculum – plan to finalize the essential skills rubric.
 - D. Community Partnerships – keeping a look out for opportunities and was in touch again with Patty Milka (Fox Cities Chamber of Commerce F.O.C.U.S. Director) again to continue to express interest in making connections with community partners.
 10. New Business - none
 11. Informational Items - none
 12. Upcoming Events
 - A. April 7,8 – WCSA Conference
 - B. April 15 – Grant application deadline

- C. April 25 – Governance Council Training, 6:00 – 8:30, HMS Library
- D. May 2 – FWA Governance Council meeting
 - Discuss start time of 6:30 for this meeting – agreed to change the start time to 6:30 for this 5/2/11 meeting.

13. Motion to Adjourn