

Fox West Academy Governance Council Meeting

Monday, October 7

6:00 p.m.

Fox West Classroom

AGENDA

1. Call to order and roll call The meeting was called to order at 6:16 P.M. by Zola Nimmer Members present : Lorie Claybaugh arriving late, Greg Hall, Jenni Koenecke, Zola Nimmer, Stephanie Halverson, Laurie Wagner, Dan Lundstrom, Mark Stae, New Member: John Brattlund
Excused Absences: Anne Walker, Jean Wagner, Tori Mann, Steve Gromala
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).
3. Review and approve minutes from September 9, 2013 Minutes were accepted and approved as written.
4. Finance
 - A. Approval of vouchers No vouchers to approve at this time. Vouchers will be brought to the ~~October~~ November meeting for approval.
5. Presentations by District residents / Comments from Public No one was present at this time.
6. Executive Committee Reports
 - A. Strategic Planning update – review “to do” list.
The Strategic Planning Organizational task chart for the following areas of : Instructional Programs and Services, Growth and Sustainability, Quality Assurance, Management and Operations were reviewed. The group reviewed the Completed, In Progress and Uncompleted tasks thus far on the Strategic Plan.
7. Charter Staff Reports
 - A. State Report Card- Information was shared. FWA achieved "75.9 Exceeds Expectations" a very good score.
 - B. Greg attended the Professional Development by Rick Wormeli on Standards-Based Assessment - He found the workshop invigorating.
 - C. Expansion of Math Resources - The District just adopted a new Math series. It is Connected Math. The new adoption has brought about new thinking and the transition has been challenging for students and staff.
 - D. Student Showcase - Student Travel : Sixth graders are going to the Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center, North of Duluth, MN Oct. 21st - Oct. 23rd
 - E. Site Visits from other Districts - Two school districts, Nekoosa and Sparta Charter School Staff members are coming for site visits this month. FWA is proposing charging a \$100 and \$20 per participant if the district has an approved charter grant. Costs the money could cover is: paying for a sub if needed, lunch and copying costs, etc.
 - F. Grant Writing - Greg is in the process of writing three grants to receive additional money for technology and leadership.
8. Committee Reports
 - A. Marketing and Public Relations - Member Information - Complete the bio sheet and return to Lorie Claybaugh. Website ideas are generating for website updates.
 - B. Innovations and Development - Anne Walker is thanked for her time on this committee.
 - C. Curriculum – Nothing to share at this time.
 - D. Community Partnerships - FIE (Families involved in Education) is up and running and has assisted in building community partnerships. Jean Wagner and Susie Lamers are thanked for her time on this committee.
 - E. Learning Sustainability- Tori Mann will still stay involved with this committee. Fundraising activities were discussed: Hansen's, Entertainment Books, Box Tops containers will be made on October 30th.

9. Discussion
 - A. Documents available to Council Members - Where is a good warehouse for needed documents? After discussion it was decided that Gmail accounts will be set for those council members do not have them.
 - B. Sharing Documents Items for shared documents for now will be: Bylaws, Contracts, Agenda Items and Minutes. If other items are needed let Dan Lundstrom know.
10. Professional Development Opportunities / Equipment Purchases: None at this time
11. New Business - Zola Nimmer, Tori Mann and Anne Walker were thanked for their commitment and years of dedication to the FWA Governance Council. Tori is shifting positions on the Board. John Brattlund is replacing Tori Mann as Treasurer. Stephanie Halvserson is replacing Zola Nimmer as Vice President on the Governance Board.
12. Informational Items
 - A. FIE Update - April Fundraiser, Mexican Fiesta, Coordinate Dates, Former students assisting with running games and activities, Raffle and Door Prize procedures were discussed.
13. Upcoming Events
 - A. Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center 6th Grade Trip, October 21st-23rd.
 - B. Project Presentation Night - Tuesday, October 29th 6:30-7:30 PM FWA Media Pit
 - C. Next Council Meeting - November 4, 2013 6:00 at FWA
14. Adjourn - The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 P.M.