

ROCKY POINT CHARTER SCHOOL

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Board of Directors Minutes

Tuesday

November 10, 2009

4:00 pm

Rocky Point Charter School

Media Center

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| 4:03 | 1. Regular Session
Call to Order:
By Presiding Officer, Sue Dunn,
President of Board of Directors. | REGULAR SESSION
CALL TO ORDER |
| | 2. Flag Salute:
Led by: Jonathan Wangsgard
RPCS Board Secretary | PLEDGE |
| | 3. Roll Call:
A quorum was established with the following Board of
Directors present:
Scott Dougan RPCS Board Member
Susan Dunn, RPCS Board President
Holly Hetzel RPCS Board Parent
Representative
Jonathan Wangsgard, RPCS Board Secretary | MEMBERS PRESENT |
| | 4. Approval of Agenda:
HETZEL/WANGSGARD
Agenda approved as corrected with date to read
November 10, 2009.
Motion carried unanimously. | AGENDA APPROVED |
| | 5. Public Forum
There were no individuals present that wanted to address
the board. | PUBLIC FORUM
NO COMMENT |
| | 6. New Business | |
| | 6a. Approval of Board Minutes, November 10, 2009
DOUGAN/HETZEL
Motion carried unanimously. | MINUTES APPROVED |

6b. Budget Flexibility Transfers

A public hearing was conducted to receive comments regarding the transfer of Tier III Categorical Funds. Susan Dunn, Board president opened the public hearing to discuss a 5710 sweep transfer of the Art and Music Block Grant. No one from the public commented on the transfer of Tier III Categorical Funds. Board President Sue Dunn closed the public hearing

PUBLIC COMMENTS
NO COMMENT

6c. Motion to approve the transfer of Tier III funds to an unrestricted object code.
WANGSGARD/HETZEL

APPROVED

COMMENTS:

Julie Tirado, GUSD financial representative, stated the Art and Music Block grant in the past required a public hearing but as of last year the state has changed the rules and basically told us how to use the money. The transfer was made so that RPCS could keep the money. The 5710 transfer is a requirement to keep the money.

Susan Dunn, Board President asked when should RPCS have had the public hearing to approve the transfer and Julie Tirado responded that districts are doing the transfers now because of the conflicting information.

Scott Dougan, Board Member, stated he had some information regarding the transfers of restricted money and said it may make things a little clearer. He said his information came right off of the website for State Category Flexibility and quoted his source. "Any school agency that wants to exercise this transfer authority is required to hold a public hearing on the matter. Specifically, the bill states, 'The school districts and county offices of education would be required, at a regularly scheduled, open, public hearing, to take testimony from the public, discuss, and approve or disapprove the proposed use of funding...'" Then Scott Dougan said it was his understanding the transfer has already been made without a public hearing? Julie Tirado responded with, "the accounting piece of the transfer is done. We had no choice."

Susan Dunn, asked, "Where was the money designated?" and Julie Tirado responded, "In the general fund."

Motion carried unanimously.

6d. Motion to approve RPCS 2008-2009 unaudited actuals.

APPROVED

WANGSGARD/HETZEL

Julie Tirado presented her report expounding on the budget, state reports and transfer of funds.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Scott Dougan stated he had a couple of questions and concerns regarding the transfers that were done without RPCS's knowledge or approval. He stated that while we may have made the same decisions made by Ms. Tirado because of her knowledge and experience; however, in the future, his advice is to call ahead before the money is moved and ask about making the transfers.

Julie Tirado explained there was a transfer of money out of special education and let the Board know that if special education money was not spent it had to be returned to the SELPA. To keep that from happening, Ms. Tirado did a 5710 transfer from special education to Debbie's administrative costs because of indirect costs.

Susan Dunn stated that RPCS has a special education teacher and that special education dollars could be used to pay her. She also said, "To be honest, we are not getting a lot of communication. I would like communication to be better. I know you are trying to help us, but I would prefer we use our special education money in special education." Ms. Tirado responded with, "Yes, communication will be better."

Scott Dougan stated that the decisions to spend or transfer money need to be made by Rocky Point Charter School. Ms. Tirado responded with, "Yes, but the bottom line will still be the same."

Susan Dunn asked Ms. Tirado if Debbie had her contact information to make sure we are communicating more closely. Ms. Tirado said, "Yes, I gave Debbie my e-mail and I will give her the number to my BlackBerry after the meeting." Susan Dunn stated that the first interim was coming up and she hoped the communication will be better. Ms. Tirado responded by saying that Debbie and she had met last week and will meet again before the next board meeting to go over first interim.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 6e. Motion to approve 2010 RPCS Board of Directors Meeting schedule** **APPROVED**
DOUGAN/WANGSGARD
Motion carried unanimously.

- 7. Director/Principal Comments** **GENERAL DISCUSSION**
Director Deborah Stierli shared her plans to attend the upcoming Expeditionary Learning Leadership Training later in November, report cards are being prepared by teachers and that a mailer had been sent to targeted areas to remind families that Rocky Point Charter School is a free public school and to check out our website.

- 8. Board Comments** **BOARD COMMENTS**
Holly Hetzel credited PTO and parents with an excellent fall fun night that students enjoyed. Mr. Wangsgard was pleased with EL trainer Ms. Guerra's recent training and how it renewed his focus to the core of the EL model. He also spoke about the 6 guest veterans he had in his classroom that students interviewed as part of his current expedition. The students were able to glean much from the interaction and shared many somber reflections as a group.

- 5:19 9. Motion to adjourn meeting.** **APPROVED**
DOUGAN/HETZEL
Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED BY: _____

DATE: _____