DuBois Integrity Academy

Governance Board Meeting
Monday, June 19th, 2017
6479 Church Street
Riverdale, Georgia 30274
Multi-purpose Room
6:30pm

MINUTES

Roll Call (Col. Morris, Mr. Merritt, Dr. Chapman, and Mr. Culver)

Meeting Called To Order 6:36pm

Approval of Agenda Motioned by Dr. Chapman, 2nd by Mr. Culver. (Carried unanimously)

Approval of Previous Minutes Motioned by Mr. Culver, 2nd by Mr. Merritt. (Carried unanimously)

Financial Report

1. YTD Reports Mr. Rhodes presented the financial reports month ending June 2017. Board Members reviewed the Year to Date Report. Questions included: When should the books for this fiscal year be closed. Answer: There will be a soft close by the end of the week of July 17th. June 30th will close out July 2016 through May 2017.

2. Audit Update The board discussed the audit process. The Auditor has requested documents that are being provided.

3. FY18 Budget Presentation The board reviewed the FY18 budget. Questions included: Are we far off the amount estimated for our Special Education award? Answer: The Department of Education has not given the amount as of yet. Question: Is the amount for Physical Education adequate and what is needed for the other course? Answer: The five connections are Physical Education, Art, Music, STEM, iReady Read. The STEM course will assist in becoming STEM certified. The STEM certification process is 2 years. Question: With adding Art and Music will it be a cost for equipment and supplies? Answer: It is built into the budget, $2000 each with a little more for P.E. due to purchasing a health curriculum to add to P.E. Question: Will music in the classroom disturb the other classes? Answer: No, it did not disturb classes in our first year. Question: Do you have enough allocated for professional Development? Answer: There is additional Professional Development in with the curriculum. Question: Is there a cap that is recommended for paying on the mortgage? Answer: There is no cap. Question: Is there a buy-out? Answer: There is a buy-out. Question: What would be a good interest rate? Answer: Yes, 7.5 to 8.

Executive Director/Principal Report

1. Academic Performance Results Analysis Dr. Payne presented an Academic Performance Report of the 2017 Georgia Milestone Results. The report included comparisons from last year’s results to this year’s results. The growth from last year was discussed. Suggestion from the board was to highlight the growth in the PowerPoint. Question: What do you attribute the growth to? Answer: The tools DIA
invested in to drive instruction such as Measures of Academic Progress, iReady, and Study Island.

2. SCSC Comprehensive Performance Framework Presentation There is an implementation grant that is available. DIA is eligible for $775,000. The Charter Association has offered support with a fee. Mr. Merritt stated the school could manage the payment on the credit. There will be voted on in New Business.

3. Parent/Student Handbook Amendment/Compliance Handbook amendment was presented by Mr. Cason.

4. Special Education Policy Handbook Amendment/Compliance Handbook amendment was presented by Mr. Cason.

Old Business (none)

New Business

1. The board voted on applying for the implementation grant. Motioned by Mr. Merritt, 2nd by Dr. Chapman. (Carried unanimously)

2. Adopt DIA FY18 Budget Motioned by Mr. Merritt 2nd by Mr. Culver. (Carried unanimously)

3. Adopt Amended Parent/Student Handbook Motioned by Dr. Chapman 2nd by Mr. Culver. (Carried unanimously)

4. Adopt Amended Special Education Policy Motioned by Dr. Chapman 2nd by Mr. Culver. (Carried unanimously)

Public Comments (3 minutes) Question: If students are not achieving on level why is there only 6% being spent on instruction? Answer: Teachers’ salaries are instruction which is not included in the 6%. Also, some instruction was purchased in FY16 and did not have to be purchased in FY17.

Executive Session (if needed) N/A

Board Questions & Comments N/A

Motion to Adjourn Motioned by Mr. Merritt 2nd by Dr. Chapman. (Carried unanimously)

Meeting Adjourned Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm