DuBois Integrity Academy

Governance Board Meeting
Monday, October 16, 2017
6479 Church Street
Riverdale, Georgia 30274
Multi-purpose Room
6:30pm

MINUTES

Roll Call (Col. Morris, Mr. Merritt, Mr. Culver, Dr. Chapman, Judge Mack, and Mrs. Lewis)

Meeting Called To Order 6:41

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 The Board reviewed YTD spending. The Board reviewed this month’s spending as well as Federal Programs Funds. Question: Mr. Merritt asked if the Title IV budget covered Art Supplies. Answer: Yes, there is $2,000 budgeted for art supplies to be reimbursed through Title IV. Question: Mr. Merritt asked if the amount on the budget sheet for textbooks is a monthly amount. Answer: It was not a monthly amount. Question: Mr. Merritt asked if the TRS amount is correct. Answer: It is accurate because TRS increased; however, we pay for the previous month. When we paid in September it was for August salaries. Question: Mr. Culver requested a YTD with a three month column to indicate three months of data. Answer: We hope to have that by November.

2. Audit Review Evaluation There were no findings in the audit, we will continue to use the practices that we have in place.

3. Next steps/closing the funding gap Discussion was held on closing the financial gap. We are currently funded on 669 students. The current enrollment is over this amount and the Board discussed the adjustment that should be expected in April. Next steps will be to work on recommended budget amendments and creating a new budget layout for the YTD report.

Executive Director/Principal Report

1. Academic plan for next six weeks Dr. Payne discussed the full day, schoolwide Professional Development that took place today. A review of RIT groups, which are determined by students’ deficit areas to remediate students and improve weaknesses, was given. Question: How does the change in standards impact STEM certification? Answer: STEM certification is a two year process. The standards will be more aligned because of the inclusion of technology.

2. New Board Member Recommendation The Board reviewed the perspective new board members resume.
3. SCSC Monitoring Visit There was a discussion concerning the report for the Monitoring Visit and what was prepared for the Charter Commission. The questions and answers to them were discussed. Dr. Payne explained the English Language Learners demographic. Question: Mr. Merritt asked about funding for the students. Dr. Worrell explained that we do not have enough English Language Learners to get a grant outright; however, we do receive funding through a consortium. They provide funding for Professional Development which Dr. Dedmond our ESOL teacher and Dr. Worrell just took advantage of at Callaway Gardens. In addition we will receive two IPads to use for our English Language Learners instruction.

4. DOE Annual Report Mr. Cason discussed the D.O.E. annual report and what this report entails.

5. Budget amendment It was discussed during the Financial Report that next steps would be to work on budget amendments.

6. Governance Board Training Dates & Registration There are two options for Governance Training. One opportunity will be in November and the other February.

PTO Report Dr. Clarity provided an update on membership, a fundraiser update, and gave an overview on what PTO plans to accomplish this year.

Old Business

New Business December 2 at 4:00pm is the Holiday Parade. DIA will participate in the Spelling Bee at Riverdale Center. Last year one of our scholars was the first place winner in all grades K-5. Red Ribbon Week is Oct 23-27.

Public Comments (3 minutes) A parent asked if we would give parents advanced notice when Teacher Appreciation is coming this year.

Executive Session (if needed) N/A

Board Questions & Comments N/A

Motion to Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned Meeting adjourned at 8:22