

**Dubois Integrity Academy
Governance Board Meeting
Monday, May 9, 2016
6479 Church Street
Riverdale, GA 30274**

Meeting Minutes

Roll Call: Mr. Merritt, Atty. Mack, Ms. Sonya Lewis, Lt. Col Dee Morris,
and, Mr. Bo Culver

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Quorum Present

The Meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Motion to call meeting to order made by Attorney Mack seconded by Bo Culver.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion .made by Mr. Culver to approve the previous minutes and seconded by
Ms. Lewis. Motion Carried Unanimously

Financial Report

Board presented with current financial statements as prepared by DuBois Charter
School Consortium. Mr. Merritt reported that we are in good standing. Ten-
month contracts for teachers are paid through twelve months.

Executive Director's Report

- ❖ Student laptops and students have been placed in the classroom.

- ❖ Power My Learning will be here on Saturday, Sept. 17, 2016 to conduct next parent/student seminar and distribute approximately 120 additional laptops.
- ❖ Mr. Cason stated that phase 2 building plans are on schedule for completion by July 25, 2016.
- ❖ DIA is fully admitted for FY 16/17. We have 400 people on the waiting list.
- ❖ Kindergarten graduation is June 1st at 6:45 pm., expecting 700 people at New Macedonia Baptist Church. On June 3rd at Lakewin Christian Center the 5th graders will be graduating at 10:00 a.m.
- ❖ A different staff would run the pre-K program and the PreK program would be budgeted under its own budget, but controlled by DIA, and the program would report to the Board.
- ❖ The FY 16/17 budget will be presented before the next board meeting electronically to all board members with an approval vote slated for June 13, 2016.

Principal's Report

- ❖ Georgia Milestone tests were completed by students from 3-5 last week. DOE Waiver was approved allowing school to use their discretion, for the 3rd-5th retesting.
- ❖ DIA is moving toward retesting the 5th graders because some are going to boarding school and/or private schools contingent on what the scores are and if there are back in time. Benchmark or (SLO) Student Learning Objective K-5 will take same test, starting on Wednesday. Gifted Testing, ITBS will be given to all students starting on 5/16 Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

A motion was made to go into Exec. Session by Atty. Mack and second by Mr. Culver to discuss personnel issues at 8:00 pm. Motion carried unanimously. The Executive Session adjourned at 8:15 p.m , and convened back into the regular Board Meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Motion made to approve the minutes from executive session by Attorney Mack and seconded by Mr. Culver. Motion carried unanimously.

Atty.Mack motioned to approved personnel budget and was second by Ms. Lewis. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Walker was introduced at the Board Meeting as The Dean of Students. Mr. Walker came highly recommended by former employers and peers.

Public comments

A parent asked if gifted program was going to be a pull out, and she was informed by the Principal that it will be pull out and push in. The Principal stated that we may have an honors class or gifted program. Parent also asked if DIA would offer a program of what determines student learning style. The principal stated that DIA will not be purchasing additional test(s), but may look at that in the future. Dr. Worrell stated the teacher can determine if student is kinesthetic or auditory in their learning style to see what's best for the child. The technology that's in the classroom, teachers are innovative and can touch on all the learning styles. Another parents wanted to know what was the plan for pick up and for drop off next year. Mr. Cason stated that we will have two exits and are working on a comprehensive pick up & drop off plan. Mr. Cason added that DIA is working on fencing around the school for student safety.

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m