Dubois Integrity Academy
Governance Board Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2015

Roll Call: Atty. Mack, Bo Culver, Dr. Chapman and Dee Morris

Quorum Present

The Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Atty. Mack motioned to approve minutes from previous meeting and second by Dr. Chapman

Executive Director Update

- DOE Annual Report has been submitted.
- All Board members were advised on usage of school email address.
- State Charter Commission Compliance matrix distributed and discussed.
- Board Members reminded to contact Laura Holcomb for registration, for Feb. 12th mandatory board meetings at Stone Mountain Marriott.
- Board members given instructions for background check compliance.
- Reviewed New performance framework presentation from SCSC.
- Will be fully automated to scan scores and enhance previous goal.
- Hanover Insurance will visit to review safety policy and evaluate Risk Hazard situations.
- Email went out a week ago to inform parents of excessive tardies, absences, and early releases, and will further enforce and address this issue in a letter to the parent.
- DIA is looking to undergo accreditation within the next three years.
- Consortium update: Dr. Liddell comes two days a month (professional development), Ms. Puryear and Ann Almond are also contracted through the consortium.

Facilities Update

- Met with investors on Thursday to discuss phase two. An additional twelve classrooms.
- Developed community partner in Ga. Power who has put a special rate in place.
- Office Depot has also honored DIA with a special rate.
- Nutrition update: a luncheon is scheduled on November 17th so that parents come and eat with students.
The Financial Report

- We are tracking ahead of budget.
- DIA Quarterly P & L Presented to board

Principal’s Report

- Curriculum has been ongoing and teachers are moving ahead and the students are learning.
- The EIP teachers, Ms. Hall started after fall break who is the excel teacher and is working with students to achieve. Ms. Ames is also tracking students thru SST (Student Support Team) process.
- Attended TKES training in Macon for Teacher Evaluation and tomorrow, November 10, 2015, the teachers will receive self-assessment and will sign off on that process.

New Business

- Tab 3 Governing board policy and gone through legal team at state charter level and presented to board to look at new framework and policy. Board members developing agendas, etc. for adaptation in December. Tab 4 Financial Operations policy which is used as a road map by Ms. Puryear and free and reduced lunch. A jump drive was included for the board’s review.

Public Comments

- Chairman Morris welcomed Parents to Board meeting. April Comptom asked when was DIA going to put the name on the building. Mr. Cason answered question that stated that a city ordinance has to have signs on the building but banned certain things. There is a freeze on enrollment and will start with the sign Dubois Integrity Academy, State Charter School as second line and asked parents for their suggestions. Also on rainy days, why can’t DIA open the front part of building. Mr. Cason stated that when it rains the children can fall and has become a safety issue. This will be brought up again later and consider opening the front part a little earlier. She also asked why do 1st graders eat last. Dr. Payne stated that there was a group of students who were on medication and had them take their meds earlier, so kids can eat and take meds. Ms. Tonya Gray, asked was there a third option of coming into the building, and due to the email what are the drop off points. Mr. Cason stated that the point across the street is not an option.