



Board Meeting Notes
Tuesday, August 21, 2014 at 5:00PM

Type of Meeting: Monthly FMBCS School Board Meeting
Meeting Facilitator: Jim Zuberbuhler
Board Members: Bill Hertzberg, Chris Warren, Jim Zuberbuhler, Robin Ruppert, Rachel Schwarm
Excused Board Member: Kate McAlister
School Staff in Attendance: Alan Millar, Audra Mearns, Ryan Zimmerle, Jennifer Greve
Excused School Staff: Mary Jensen
Call to Order: 5:02 PM

Public Comment: None

Open Business:

- Jim: Sorry for not realizing paperwork and reports were sent
 - **Suggestion:** Have Robin be the funnel for all information and emails.

New Business:

Field Trips -

- Jennifer G. - Does the school need to bring every field trip to the Board for Permission?
 - BOD: No - Mostly needs to be informational. Needs to be informed about what trips are coming up.
 - Middle School Camp out – approved – happens every year
 - High School Oregon Marine trip – approved – good trip for the students
 - *The two above field trips were acknowledged and approved by the Board of Directors – no motions made.*

Transportation –

- Allen and Audra had a meeting with the Boundry County School District regarding transportation reimbursement for students picked up in Boundry County.
 - State said the only reimbursement FBCH could get would be from Elmira (the Boundry and Bonner Country borders) to the school
 - There are 42 students in Boundry county from 3 Mile to Elmira
 - The estimated reimbursement the school can get for these students is around 75-85%

Diploma Signatures –

- Bill H. – It would be nice to have Dr. Bird's signature on the High School Graduating diploma's moving forward
 - ACTION: Rachel S. will look into seeing if Dr. Bird would be willing to sign around 100 diploma's for upcoming years

- ACTION: Jennifer G. will talk with Mary J. regarding adding another signature line to the diplomas
 - Motion for Dr. Birds name and signature be on the future diplomas made by Bill Hertzberg
 - 2nd by Chris Warren
 - Unanimously approved

Policies –

- Allen M. – School Board Policy needs to be a part of each Board of Director meeting
- School will purchase CD's with policies
 - Need to have a designated person to administrate the Policy paperwork
 - Motion for Kate McAlister to be the Policy Administrator made by Rachel S. and Jim Z.
 - 2nd by Chris Warren
 - Unanimously approved
- LPOSD is the authorizer – Default for missing policies
- Mary and Jennifer are creating model policies for the school – they will bring to the Board of Directors as they progress

Basic Diplomas -

- Clarification of Basic Diplomas and Early Completion
 - Basic Diploma –
 - To graduate, a student is required to have the state minimum of 46 credits
 - Early Completion –
 - Students who are outstanding
 - Students who have a clear goal of who they want to be and where they want to go in life
 - The Board of Directors position is to support the student with 60 credits
 - Motion to allow Early Completion for three outstanding students: Trista Hinderberg, Wrenee Wren, Phoebe Tietjen-Archie made by Jim Z.
 - 2nd by Rachel S.
 - Unanimously approved

Grant Updates –

- The school received three grants: 2 from Kahn and 1 from the State equaling at total of \$424,000
- Purchase made from the grants:
 - 420 Lenovo Laptops
 - Refreshed staff machines
 - Paid wireless off for next five years
 - Firewall content filter
 - Gained about an \$80,000 savings for working in bulk

P-Tech

- Allen M. – P-Tech is taking off – 59 Students participating
 - Note: There are a few glitches with NIC but working through
- Met with 30+ businesses who are interested in being a partner or supporter
 - Kootenai Health among the top – setting up meetings to meet with the health care providers

Expenditures (Financials):

- Reviewed the financials provided for 2014 – 2015 that were being provided to auditor
 - Motion to approve 2014 -2015 financials made by Chris Warren
 - 2nd by Jim Zuberbuhler
 - Unanimously adopted

Minutes Approval:

- Motion to approve June's Minutes made by Rachel Schwarm
- 2nd by Bill Herzberg
- Unanimously approved

Operations / School Reports:

- Mary J. and Jenn G. Sent out a new School report (See attached)
- *PROPOSED*: Jim Z. asked if a paragraph could be added from both schools that would summarize highlights from the school or ask questions that the Board would need to think about.
- The new school report was liked by all present

Open Discussion:

- The Board would like to have three print outs of the Financials. Not everyone needs to have a copy of the financials, but it could be passed around the various Board members for approval.
- Discussion about the Annual Audit - Most organized and painless audit yet. Kudos to the team.
- Next meeting to be held October 21st , 5PM @ FBCS HS

Adjournment:

- Motion for Adjournment made by Jim Z 6:23PM
- 2nd by Rachel Schwarm
- Unanimously approved