

Charter Mission Amendment Request

Charterholder Info

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Mission

Change From

The mission of Deer Valley Academy is to provide a quality education in a safe environment that will empower students to be productive citizens and life-long learners in and ever-changing global community.

Change To

Deer Valley Academy's mission is to provide a quality education in a safe and productive environment for high school students attending full time, participating in credit recovery or advancing their program of study

Attachments

Board Minutes —  [Download File](#)

Additional Information*

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Signatures

Charter Representative Signature
Barbara Dalicandro 06/16/2014

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 8, 2014, 7:00 p.m.

3050 West Agua Fria Freeway, Suite 250, Phoenix, AZ 85027

1. Call to Order

Mrs. Duston, president, called the meeting to order at 7:07p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Board members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Board members present: Arlene Duston, David Stong, Dr. Timothy Tait, Cynthia Cipriano and Judith A. Green. Also present: Barbara Dalicandro, Executive Director; Linda Hoyer, Director of Professional Development; Iliana Vilaire, Board Secretary; Kristin Morgan and Heather Jones of Aspire.

4. Adoption of the Agenda

Ms. Dalicandro requested that Item 10 be moved after Item 7 and that Item 10 #3 (Discussion/Approval of Revised Budget) be deleted from the agenda. David Stong moved to approve the agenda as modified. Judith Green seconded the motion. The motion to approve the modified agenda carried (5 -0).

5. Public Comments

None

6. Reports

A. Board of Directors Report – Mrs. Duston noted that graduation is upon us. She also reminded everyone that this week is National Teacher’s Week. Mrs. Duston, Ms. Dalicandro and Mrs. Green had met previously for a luncheon, where Mrs. Green was brought up to speed on the events that have developed on a site location for DVA.

B. Executive Director’s Report – Ms. Dalicandro reported 100% response of the ESS parental survey. All students passed the AIMS Reading. DVA is currently preparing for the audit in June. Session 5 has closed out and Session 6 has begun its first week. Graduation preparations are also underway. Registration for Session 1 has made a strong start and there are now 6 dates for Session 1 registration instead of 5.

7. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by David Stong to approve the minutes of the Deer Valley Charter Schools, Inc. Study Session and Regular Board of Directors meeting of March 13, 2014. Dr. Tait seconded the motion; motion carried (5-0).

Board of Directors
Arlene Duston, president ♦ David Stong, secretary/treasurer
Cynthia Cipriano ♦ Judith a. Paysek-Green ♦ Dr. Timothy Tait

10. New Business

1. Discussion/Approval of Personnel Changes/Additions – Chris Heavin (Math) will be taking some time off and his position is being taken over by Steven Brooks; Mr. Brooks is a college professor at GCC and the students have taken to him very well. Mr. Stong briefly inquired about the class description of Today's Teen, a DVA elective class. Cynthia Cipriano moved to approve the personnel changes/additions for Session Six; David Stong seconded the motion. The motion carried (5-0).

2. Discussion/Approval of Revised Policy 15 – Revision from 40% Student Academic Performance to 50%, and from 43% Observation/Performance to 33%. Mr. Stong moved to approve Revised Policy 15; Cynthia Cipriano seconded the motion. The motion carried (5-0).

3. Discussion/Approval of Revised Budget for 2013 - 2014 – omitted

4. Discussion/Approval of Salary Schedule – Mr. Stong moved to approve the salary schedule; Mrs. Cipriano seconded the motion. The motion carried (5-0).

5. Discussion/Approval of Mission Statement – Ms. Dalicandro stated that the mission statement, along with the purpose and vision statement for DVA will be incorporated into the DVA brochure. Mrs. Duston commented that the statements were revised as per directives from AdvancED. Mr. Stong remarked that the purpose statement should address why DVA does what it does instead of stating what DVA does; the purpose statement is not in a 'why' format. Ms. Dalicandro stated that more work will be done on the purpose statement. Mrs. Cipriano moved to approve the mission statement; Dr. Tait seconded the motion. The motion carried (5-0).

Ms. Dalicandro took the opportunity to explain to the board members why the charter board is requesting additional information from Dr. Tait, Mrs. Cipriano and Mrs. Green in order to approve them as board members of Deer Valley Charter Schools, Inc. The charter renewal authorization with the additional requested information must be submitted prior to having the ability to upload the mission statement, which is a requisite of AdvancED. The renewal application is due by February 24, 2015.

6. Discussion/Approval of Signatory for State Assurances – Mrs. Duston stated that in order to access and receive grants, the General Statement of Assurance must be signed and submitted to the Dept of Education. The deadline this year is May 15, 2014. Mr. Stong moved to approve the signing of this affidavit; Mrs. Cipriano seconded the motion. The motion carried (5-0).

7. Approval of Proclamation to Declare May 6th as National Teacher's Day – Mrs. Duston read the proclamation. Ms. Dalicandro commented that the approval of the proclamation will be moved to the March agenda. Mr. Stong moved to approve the proclamation; Mrs. Green seconded the motion. The motion carried (5-0).

8. Other Reports

A. Financial Report - Ms. Morgan presented the financial report to the board and gave DVA's 100th day count as 94.6. Ms. Morgan informed the board of DVA's total cash balance of \$1,064,427.50, total income \$664,632.04 with total expenditures of \$483,731.31; there is an increase in net assets of \$180,900.73. Mrs. Jones spoke briefly about the FY15 budget, Prop 301 and the importance of this year's audit to the charter renewal. Brief discussion ensued regarding the safety of personal information being requested by the Charter Board Association.

B. Common Core Standards – Ms. Hoyer presented a power point explaining common core in detail from its origin and past practices to present day implementation and expectations. Also presented were examples of PARCC questions from varying grades and subjects, the pros and cons of PARCC, and the phasing out of AIMS with the commencement of PARCC.

Motion made by Mr. Stong to go into Executive Session and combine Item 9A and Item 11A. Dr. Tait seconded the motion. The motion carried (5-0).

9. CALL for EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03.A.1 – Discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining or resignation of a public officer, appointee or employee of any public body. Executive Director/Staff

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Mr. Stong read the motions for Items 9A and 11A; Dr Tait seconded the motion and it carried with a vote of (5-0). Executive session commenced at 8:55pm.

Dr. Tait moved to return to the public meeting at 9:39pm. Mr. Stong seconded the motion; motion carried (5-0).

B. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03.A.7 - Discussions or consultations with designated representatives of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale or lease of real property.

Mr. Stong read the motion for Item 11B; Mrs. Cipriano seconded the motion and it carried (5-0). Executive session commenced at 9:39pm.


Mr. Stong moved to return to the public session at 10:29pm. Mrs. Green seconded the motion; motion carried (5-0).

12. Action if any from Executive Session – No action taken

13. Adjournment

Mr. Stong moved for adjournment at 10:30p.m. Mrs. Green seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:30pm. The motion was approved (5-0).

Approved: _____



Dated: _____

6-12-2014