

Schoolcraft Learning Community Board Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2007

Informal Information Session:

Information from Director and other staff, parents and community members.

- Scott nominated an 8th grade parent to receive a United Way award (Elaine Hovde – parent volunteer)
- MDE Board of Teaching letter – all teachers in compliance with licensure
- Update on Title 1 Parent Night on April 26 – great success!
- Update on School Board waiver application
- PNO Update – what about a picnic?
- 8th grade portfolio presentations
- Board Training revisited – report on how Carver 101 went on May 8
- Legislative Update regarding Charter Schools’ concerns – legislative session needs to be done next Monday and there has been no decision on K-12 funding as of yet.

Formal Agenda: Mitch Called the meeting to Order – 6:42 PM

Attendance: Mitch Hayle Robert Saxton Julie Ann Ruby Judy Bing
 Sara Breeze François Fouquerel Tom Williams

Staff Present: Rita Poulton, Scott Anderson, Barb Houg, Shar Paquette

Issue: Consent Agenda

- Current Bills and Checks
- April Board Minutes
- Audit with Miller McDonald scheduled in July
- 2007-08 Proposed Food Service contract

Outcome: Approve required items

It was moved and seconded to accept the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

Issue: Teacher Majority Waiver

Outcome: Either approve the waiver request or discuss options if denied

Person Responsible: Mitch

What if our waiver is rejected? The board could either appoint additional teachers or reduce the number of community members. The board is leaning toward additional appointments should the waiver be rejected. It was moved and seconded to table this until June. Discussion ensued. Motion carried unanimously.

Issue: Environmental Expedition for 2007-08 school year – “Natural World”

Outcome: Declaration of support – one time staff and board committee to make a proclamation

Person Responsible: Mitch

It was moved and seconded to establish a one-time committee including board members Robert Saxton and Francois Fouquerel to finalize wording for our environmental proclamation. Need to get together with the staff that worked on it and report to the board at the June meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Scott will arrange to get the group together.

Issue: Board training

Outcome: Discuss MACS trainings/workshops information; We need to reschedule our board training date from June 6; Also discuss starting a Board Development committee.

Person Responsible: Mitch

Scott presented the info on the MACS workshops. Board training scheduled 11-4 on Friday, June 15, 2007. Barb asked for input on what the board training agenda should be. Bring board books to training...we will make sure they are current. We will need to bring extra copies of the ends policies also. Sara Breeze, Mitch Hayle and Barb Houg will be on the Board Development committee...will start by trying to recruit interested teachers should the waiver be denied. They will also form a process for recruitment for future elections and plan for future board trainings.

Summer meeting times all on Tuesdays: June 19, 2007 6:00 PM at LeMoine Cottage at Gilfillan 1741 W 15th Street; July 17, 2007 at a time to be announced; August 21, 2007 6:00 PM will be advertised.

Issue: Director's Evaluation update

Outcome: inform board of where the committee is in the process

Person Responsible: Barb

Kris, Lisa and Judy were on the committee...Kris, Barb and Mitch will meet with Scott on May 23rd.

Issue: Problem Solving Committee

Outcome: form committee for the next year

It was moved and seconded that we include some mediation training for the entire board during a board meeting/training in August and the entire board will be part of this committee Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting closed for executive session regarding personnel.

Meeting opened.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted, Shar Paquette