

LUCKIAMUTE VALLEY CHARTER SCHOOLS

BOARD MINUTES

MARCH 17, 2021

BRIDGEPORT CAMPUS

CALL TO ORDER At 6:50 by Vicky Avery.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Vicky Avery, Matt Beasley, Jim Gardner, Kendall Cates, Fred Weisensee

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Christy Wilkins

BOARD SECRETARY: Cali Beasley

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1.1. Fred, Kendal

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1. Approval of minutes from February 17, 2021. Jim, Matthew

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

3.1. Next board meeting – April 21, 2021

4. VISITORS

4.1. There were no visitors.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

5.1. There was no public comment.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

6.1. FDIC Update: Vicky contacted the bank representative at Columbia Bank regarding the questions posed about the sweep account at the February board meeting. The balance is always set at the amount determined by the school. There is no chance of overdrafts because of sweeps. Vicky is assessing the cash flow in and out over the last year to help determine the minimum balance the account should be set at when moving forward with a non-interest bearing account.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

7.1. Staff Salary Proposal: Christy presented two possible options for staff pay increases. Option 1 would be a 1% increase for salaried staff and 2.2% for classified staff. Option 2 would be a 2% increase for salaried staff and 3.3% for classified staff. Christy firmly recommends that salaried staff get a pay increase this year as they did not get one last year. Following discussion about keeping good staff and continuing the positive direction of the programs at LVCS, Jim Gardner made a motion to give the raises outlined in option 2. Fred Weisensee seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

7.2. Director's Contract: The board discussed renewal of the contract for Christy Wilkin's Executive Director of LVCS. Christy has not accepted a pay increase in the time she has been with LVCS. Board members felt strongly that a pay increase was in order and that the contract be offered as a two-year contract. The purpose of a two-year contract is to insure continuity as the board and district move through the process of renewing the contract between LVCS and Dallas School District. Jim Gardner made a motion to offer Christy Wilkins a two-year contract with a pay increase that will bring the director salary equivalent to the previous director's in the 2021-2022 school year, with a \$2000 increase for the 2022-2023 school year. Fred Weisensee seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8. REPORTS:

8.1. Director's report

8.1.1. Reopening schools fully: Christy provided a review of the first couple weeks of having schools open full days. The transition has gone relatively smoothly with a few minor issues with bus schedules that have been worked out through trial and error.

8.1.2. Christy gave recognition to Cali Beasley for her work on rewriting the bus schedules for the full day schedule. This was a challenging project but the results are working out very well.

8.1.3. Christy reported that the new wifi network has been completed at Pedee and HEPA air circulation and filtration units have been placed in ever instructional area and office.

8.2. Financial Reports – Tammy Pryce:

8.2.1. February Financials: Tammy was not available for the meeting. The financials were provided for board review.

8.2.2. Christy noted that a letter is being requested by the bank authorizing the board chairperson to change signatories on the bank accounts. This request is a result of some changes in bank policies.

8.3. Student Enrollment Numbers:

8.3.1. Current enrollment is 201 students. Pedee will add 4 students on March 29th. Calls are coming in daily at the Bridgeport campus. If the 35 sq foot rule is dropped or reduced, enrollment in certain classrooms may be increased.

8.4. Garden program: Lua is sending home a lovely newsletter regarding her garden program at Bridgeport. The board is interested in increasing Lua's hours to full time. Discussion revolved around the need for a specific budget for this program, whether Lua would be interested in leaving her job at Kings Valley in favor of being full-time at LVCS, and setting up a meeting/tour for the board to talk with Lua directly. The meeting will be a board work session and is planned for early April pending Lua's schedule.

8.5. Summer program: Christy reports that there should be money available for a summer program. She is waiting for further information from the state before moving forward with discussions of full details with staff and the board. She expects this guidance sometime after spring break.

9. ADJOURN:

9.1. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 by Vicky Avery