

**Minutes of the Board of Directors
One Room School House Project, Inc.**

Meeting Date: 12-22-15
Time: 1:00 PM
Location: 511 NW 2nd Street
Gainesville, FL 32601

Call to Order: Mr. Allin called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM. Roll Call was taken.

Members Present: Arthur Newman
Tom Allin
Michele Borst

Consultant Report: Mr. Drake reviewed the schools' finances, current student enrollment, employment situation, and facilities situation. He reviewed the staff and parent surveys to be sent out to stakeholders.

Treasurers Report: Dr. Newman presented the board with the most recent financial information. Mr. Drake discussed these with the board.

Principal's Report: The schools are currently showing strong signs of academic improvement. This is attributed to having a curriculum that integrates intervention with classroom instruction. This has allowed Title 1 instructors to work more effectively with classroom teachers and has resulted in stronger team unity. According to the latest published proposed cut score the Elementary school should receive a grade of C and the Middle school a B. Additionally, students are testing at county level or above in 80% of the AIMS tests.

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Staff is using this data to look for areas to improve next year. Teachers would like to see better gains in all areas but in particularly in writing. Administrators have begun to discuss how to better track students' performance longitudinally. They have been meeting with all teachers to have an integrated approach. The goal is to show gains in all subjects in the next FSA testing period.

The principal's goal is to see the school's grade improve one letter grade in both the Elementary school and Middle school in the next School grading period.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Adopt Minutes:

Motion: Adopt the minutes from the annual Board Meeting of 9-24-15 as they have been recorded. (Allin)

Second: Newman

Vote: Yea - 3
No - 0

Motion Carries

2. New School Calendar: The board discussed the efficacy of a school year that uses May for summer school. The consensus is that it has worked to the school's advantage up to this date.

Motion: The board authorizes Mr. Drake and the administrative staff to develop a school calendar for the 16-17 school year. (Newman)

Second: Borst

Vote: Yea - 3
No - 0

Motion Carries

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3. Enrollment Dates: The board discussed the enrollment periods for the 2016-17 school year.

Motion: The board approves the following enrollment dates for the 2016-17 school year: February 15 and 29, 2016, March 15 and 29, 2016, April 15 and 29, 2016, May 13 and 27, 2016, June 10 and 24, 2016, July 15 and 29, 2016. These dates may be used as needed. The board will approve more dates if necessary. (Allin)

Second: Newman

Vote: Yea - 4
No - 0

Motion Carries

4. Surveys: The Board examined and discussed the proposed staff survey.

Motion: The Board of Directors approves the staff survey as presented and authorizes Mr. Drake to send it out to staff as soon as possible. The Board authorizes Mr. Drake to develop a new parent survey and send it out at the most appropriate time near the end of the school year. (Allin)

Second: Newman

Vote: Yea - 4
No - 0

Motion Carries

5. Use of Awards Funding: Mr. Drake stated that initial reports indicate that the elementary school will improve its grade and therefore be eligible for the state award program. He suggested that, given the current state of academic progress, some of the money should be used for staff

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bonuses and some for hiring support staff for more tutoring. The board discussed this proposal.

Motion: The Board of Directors designates that 50% of any state school grade awards funding for the 14-15 testing be used for staff bonuses to be distributed as an equal percentage of staff salaries and 50% to be used at administrative discretion to be used for additional teaching staff for tutoring. If the funding becomes available, Mr. Drake is to seek approval of faculty for this funding formula. (Allin)

Second: Newman

Vote: Yea - 4
No - 0

Motion Carries

6. Grading Policy: The Board discussed Mr. Drake's suggestion that students who do not complete all Accelerated Reader assignments should not receive a passing grade in Language Arts.

Motion: The Board of Directors approves the following grading policy: Students who do not pass with a 70% grade all assigned Accelerated Reader assignments shall not receive a passing grade for the grading period. Administrators and teachers may create a procedure for students to make up these assignments and have their grades adjusted. (Allin)

Second: Newman

Vote: Yea - 4
No - 0

Motion Carries

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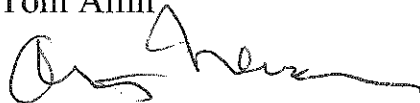
MEMBERS CONCERNS

- **Next Meeting:** Mr. Allin requested that the board meet in March.

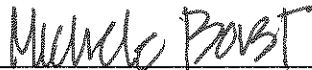
These minutes were faithfully recorded by Michele Borst, Secretary.
We agree that these minutes honestly and faithfully represent the business of
the Board of Directors at their meeting on 12-22-15.



Tom Allin



Arthur Newman



Michele Borst