Meeting Date:

3-23-18

Time:

10:00 AM

Location:

3930 NE 15th Street

Gainesville, FL 32609

Call to Order:

Dr. Terzian called the meeting to order at 10:00

AM. Roll Call was taken.

Members Present:

Arthur Newman

Board Treasurer

Sevan Terzian

Board President

Michael Patrick

Director

In Attendance:

Neil Drake

Board Representative

Principal Designee

Parent Representative ORSH

Diane Drake

Business Director

Parent Representative ORMS

Sarah Sonberg

Principal

This meeting was conducted in accordance with Florida Statutes which require:

- two public meetings per school year in the school district
- meetings noticed, open, and accessible to the public
- attendees provided opportunity to receive information and provide input
- physical presence of parent representative and principal or designee

Board Representative Report: The Board Representative reported on the successful amending of the charter contracts. The middle school contract was amended to have a termination date of June 30th, 2018. The elementary school contract was amended to add 6th grade and to increase enrollment to 240. He asked the board for permission to transfer remaining funds between the schools, to close all Middle School accounts and to have the Project assume all remaining financial responsibilities of the middle school beginning July 1, 2018.

The Board Representative reported on the educational legislation recently passed in Tallahassee. The main effect of legislation is to remove some of the burden of Capital Funding from the school districts while maintaining the same amount of per-student capital outlay for charters.

Michael Patrick has completed his mandatory board training and is now a voting member of the board.

Tom Allin has indicated that he has permanently moved to Hawaii and will no longer be able to serve on the board.

Mr. Drake reported that he has been approached by the Waldo City Commission regarding opening a charter school in Waldo. The city has recently been given the old district school facility in good condition. The city manager is currently reaching out to local residents to determine if there is sufficient interest in returning to elementary school in Waldo after the school was closed by the district three years ago.

Mr. Drake told the board that there is some possibility of creating a favorable economic condition for ORSH by operating another school and sharing administrative costs.

The Board discussed the pros and cons of adding another school.

Financial Report: The Business Director presented the board with the most recent financial information. Board members reviewed the proposed budget revisions.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Adopt Minutes:

Motion: Adopt the minutes from the Board Meeting of 12-22-17 as they have been recorded. (Newman)

Second: Pa

Patrick

Vote:

Yea - 3

No - 0

Motion Carries

2. Appoint Principal for 2018-19:

Motion: Sarah Sonberg is designated as the principal of the Project's school for the 2018-19 school year. Dr. Newman is authorized to negotiate and sign a contract for principal for the 2018-19 school year. (Newman)

Second:

Patrick

Vote:

Yea - 3

No - 0

Motion Carries

3. Appoint Teachers and Staff for 2018-19:

Motion: The Board authorizes the Board Representative and the Principal to review all teacher and staff evaluations, interview new potential employees and nominate all hires for the 2018-19 school year. Dr. Newman is authorized to negotiate and sign contracts for employees for the 2018-19 school year. (Terzian)

Second: Patrick

Vote: Yea - 3

No - 0

Motion Carries

4. Investigate Potential Charter School in Waldo:

Motion: The Board of Directors appoints the Board Representative to investigate the possibility of operating a charter elementary in Waldo on the campus of the old district school. If the potential exists for starting a successful charter, Mr. Drake is authorized to negotiate with the School Board and the City of Waldo regarding The One Room School House Project's operation of the school. (Patrick)

Second: Terzian

Vote: Yea - 3

No - 0

Motion Carries

5. Enrollment Dates: The board discussed the enrollment periods for the 2018-19 school year.

Motion: The board approves the following enrollment dates for the 2018-19 school year: March 23, 2018, April 13 and 27, 2018, May 25, 2018, June 10 and 24, 2016, July 29, 2018. These dates may be used as needed. The board authorizes the Board Representative to approve future dates if necessary. (Terzian)

Second:

Newman

Vote:

Yea - 3

No - 0

Motion Carries

6. Authorization for closing Middle School Accounts and Transfers to ORSH: The board discussed the necessary actions needed to close the middle school.

Motion: The board authorizes the Board Representative and the Business Director to take the necessary actions to transfer funds as needed between the school accounts to cover all remaining expenses of the One Room Middle School. The One Room School House Project will assume all debts and obligations of the One Room Middle School as of July 1, 2018. (Terzian)

Second:

Newman

Vote:

Yea - 3

No

- 0

Motion Carries

7. Authorization for purchasing curriculum and equipment for 2018-19 school year:

Motion: The board authorizes the Board Representative and the Principal to determine needed curriculum, materials, and equipment for the next school year and to make purchases as soon as possible. The Board authorizes up to \$50,000.00 of current funds for these purchases. (Terzian)

Second:

Newman

Vote:

Yea - 3

No - 0

Motion Carries

MEMBERS CONCERNS

- **New Board Member:** Dr. Terzian welcomed Michael Patrick to the board as a voting member having completed his mandatory board training.
- Next Meeting: Dr. Terzian requested that the board meet in March.

These minutes were faithfully recorded for Michelle Borst, Secretary. We agree that these minutes honestly and faithfully represent the business of the Board of Directors at their meeting on 3-23-18.

Arthur Newman

Michael Patrick

Sevan Terzian