

Taylor's Crossing Public Charter School

Board Regular Meeting Minutes 04-11-2018

Those in attendance: Superintendent Wendt, Financial Director Toop, HR Director Adelizzi, Board Clerk Sterzick

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m.

II. PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Board Vice-Chairman Cardon

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone participated in the Pledge

IV. TCPCS SLOGAN

The slogan was read by Superintendent Wendt

V. ROLL CALL

Board Chairman J. Taylor	Present
Board Vice-Chairman Cardon	Present
Board Treasurer Capener	Excused
Board Secretary Rice	Present
Board Member Radford	Present
Board Member C. Taylor	Present
Board Member Montgomery	Present

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Secretary Rice to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Board Member Montgomery. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments were made

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Pay Bills**
- 2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:**
 - March 14, 2018 Work Session Minutes
 - March 14, 2018 Regular Session Minutes

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Vice-Chairman Cardon to accept Consent Agenda: Pay Bills and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Board Secretary Rice. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

IX. PRESENTATION ITEMS

1. **Student Body Report** -- None was given

2. **PFA Report** -- None was given

3. Facilities Report by HR Director Adelizzi

Superintendent Wendt reported on the hail storm that occurred on April 7th. He checked the school building for any damage, particularly the west side. Fortunately he found none, however, unfortunately there was damaged to the two storage sheds. An insurance adjuster will be contacted to assess the shed damage and any damage that the roof may have sustained.

Upgrades to the gym floor will be done this year. The floor will be sanded and refinished with the school logo and sports lines repainted. Floors are normally refinished every ten years. The funds for the project will come out of the facilities budget.

4. Curriculum presentation by Myrna Guthrie

Mrs. Guthrie gave an enthusiastic presentation on her 2nd grade class. In February, in conjunction with Presidents' Day, students studied presidents, history, and also memorized the preamble to the Constitution. The Board was invited to her class to hear the students recite the preamble. The students did a research based project in March. They were given a worksheet with questions and then chose a country to research. They studied the flag, holidays, and customs of their chosen country and are preparing to give a three minute oral presentation next week. On the last day of the project, they will enjoy a feast with foods from each country studied.

Mrs. Guthrie teaches math with the math board and teaches math talk as well as math thinking. Students learn that there is more than one method to find the answer to a math problem. Her classroom is a safe place to give wrong answers and to be able to work through mistakes. Many of her students were at levels of 4th and 5th grade on the Star Math Test.

Also discussed was concerns with the ISAT writing assessment test which is taken over a two day period. The days are not consecutive. Most teachers feel students would do better if the test could be completed in one day. Third grade keyboarding skills slow them down and then by the time they get to the second day of testing, they have to do a complete review of what they did the first day which may have been taken a couple of weeks earlier. Hopefully, the State will change their testing instructions.

It is evident that Mrs. Guthrie loves her students and is proud of their accomplishments.

5. Curriculum Committee

Loree Orchard represented the Curriculum Committee. One item the Committee has been focused on is student writing. Different writing methods have been researched and were

discussed. “Write Now Right Now” is a method developed by teachers for teachers and was highly recommended to Ms. Orchard during a teacher conference in October. The writing method would be used in conjunction with the Shurley speech method which has been used at the school for a long time. The Committee requested the purchase of “Write Now Right Now” for the school.

X. ACTION ITEMS

1. 3rd Interim Budget

Will the Board approve the 3rd Interim Budget?

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Secretary Rice to approve the 3rd Interim Budget. The motion was seconded by Board Member C. Taylor. Financial Director Toop reviewed the Budget with the Board. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

2. 2018-2019 Wireless Access Points E-Rate Contract

Will the Board approve the 2018-2019 Wireless Access Points E-Rate Contract?

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Vice-Chairman Cardon to approve the 2018-2019 Wireless Access Points E-Rate Contract. Financial Director Toop explained the purpose of the contract. The motion was seconded by Board Secretary Rice. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

3. 2017-2018 Reduction of Calendar by Three Days: May 11, 25, ½ day May 31, and June 1st.

Will the Board approve the 2017-2018 Reduction of Calendar by three days: May 11, 25, ½ day May 31, and June 1?

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Secretary Rice to approve the 2017-2018 Reduction of Calendar by three days: May 11, 25, ½ day May 31, and June 1. Superintendent Wendt explained the calendar dates scheduled for snow days. The motion was seconded by Board Member C. Taylor. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

XI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Superintendent Report by Superintendent Wendt

The Eagle Athletic Handbook was reviewed.

Advertising, marketing, having a professional video made, and the retention of students during June through August was discussed. It was suggested that the school newsletter be placed on the school Facebook page.

XII. BOARD CALENDAR

05-02-18 3:15 p.m. Agenda Planning Meeting
05-09-18 6:00 p.m. Board Work Meeting; 7:00 p.m. Board Regular Meeting

XIII. SCHOOL CALENDAR

04-20-18 Dance Assembly
04-25-18 2:00 p.m. Elementary Spring Music Performance
05-24-18 1:45 p.m. JH/HS Choir Performance

XIV. PENDING TOPICS

ISBA policies approval
Oversight for Medicaid billing
Calendar due to State

XV. REVIEW OF ASSIGNMENTS GIVEN IN THIS MEETING

Read Eagle Athletic Handbook and policies for May discussion
Find videographer
Post newsletter on Facebook

XVI. BOARD INPUT FOR FUTURE/NEXT MEETING

June: School budget (Work meeting)
August: New Board member
May: Action item “Write Now Right Now” reading program
Superintendent Wendt contact reporter to highlight sports program
Advertise with Paramount

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Vice-Chairman Cardon to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Secretary Rice. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.